# Ethan Phan

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## EDUCATION

## University at Buffalo, The State University of New York

Buffalo, NY

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

• GPA: 4.000, Honors: Pride of New York Scholarship, Dean's List

December 2024

#### EXPERIENCE

#### Research Assistant

August 2024 – Present

Network Science Institute, Northeastern University

Remote

- Configure a system using Python and Selenium to automatically scrape data from 56 Facebook pages, storing data in a MySQL server.
- Apply Natural Language Processing (NLP) techniques to analyze the data, investigating underlying causes of misinformation spread.

## Teaching Assistant

August 2022 – Present

School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, University at Buffalo

Buffalo, NY

Buffalo, NY

- Instruct 600+ students on topics including Data Structures, Societal Computing, and Discrete Mathematics.
- Assist 5 professors by leading 4 hour-long weekly recitations, answering 50+ student questions weekly, and providing 4+ hours of office hours.
- Assess assignments and provide prompt quantitative and qualitative feedback.
- Provide faculty with feedback on class issues and recommendations for improvement.

## Software Engineer Intern

June 2023 – August 2023

M&T Bank

- Orchestrated Docker integration in M&T Bank's GitLab CI/CD pipelines for smooth deployment of 200+.NET web applications under an Agile environment.
- Pioneered project's design, resulting in elevated application performance and sustainability across the organization's web portfolio, saving the bank \$500,000 annually.
- Developed and demonstrated expertise in Docker, YAML, Angular, C#, and .NET by crafting a resilient CI/CD pipeline and a comprehensive web application.
- Recognized and awarded for excellence in team communication and teamwork during the project.

## Projects

## Pomo Pengy | Angular, TypeScript, SCSS, Express.js, MongoDB

- Developed a full-stack productivity app with 20+ achievements and badges using Angular and Express.js, focusing on task completion and study session incentives.
- Created a user-friendly front end with 25+ reusable components and built a RESTful API for user authentication and data management.

## Schedule Sync | React, Tailwind CSS, PHP, MySQL

- Deployed a React-based business scheduling app with PHP endpoints, hosted on an Apache server, ensuring seamless data delivery.
- Collaborated in a Scrum team of 5, managing tasks on Trello, and conducted load testing with 100+ concurrent users for reliability.

### PengyRL | Python

- Developed a reinforcement learning framework using SARSA, Q-Learning, and Double Q-Learning for environmental navigation insights.
- Optimized algorithms through hyperparameter tuning across 10,000+ episodes and visualized results with pandas, NumPy, and Matplotlib.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, C#, Scala, Java, JavaScript, HTML/CSS

Web Development: Angular, React, SCSS, Tailwind CSS, TypeScript, Express, .NET, Flask Technologies: Unix, Git, GitHub, GitLab, Node, MySQL, MongoDB, Docker, VSCode, Figma

Project Management Tools: Trello, Jira, Confluence