Ethan Santos

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EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine

Irvine, CA

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

June 2026

• Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Data Management, Computer Organization, Object Oriented Programming, User Experience/User Interfaces, Web Application Development, Software Testing, C/C++ Programming

Technical Skills

Languages: JavaScript/TypeScript, Java, Python, SQL, C, C++, Swift, Lua, HTML, CSS

Other: Next.js, React/React Native, Flask, TailwindCSS, JUnit, jQuery, AWS, Docker, Node.js, Git, Firebase, Supabase, Agile

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer Intern | Blue Social

June 2024 - Present

- Integrated an iOS app into React Native, utilizing Swift bridge modules and Thirdweb's React hooks to implement blockchain functionalities, enhancing user engagement by 25% through tokenized rewards for social interactions.
- Implemented Thirdweb SDK using JavaScript for secure wallet connections and smart contract interactions, enabling 10,000+ blockchain transactions, improving transaction security by 30% and user interaction by 25%.
- Optimized wallet data retrieval protocols by integrating Basescan API and Axios, reducing latency by 60% for 1,000+ beta users during blockchain operations and improving real-time currency conversion accuracy.

Software Developer | Fusion at UCI

April 2024 – Present

- Engineered FUSION's club website using React and React Router, implementing component-based architecture and state management, resulting in 30% improved event coordination efficiency for 100+ members.
- Collaborated with 3 designers to implement responsive, high-fidelity designs using Tailwind CSS and DaisyUI, optimizing component rendering to reduce page load times by 20%, ensuring consistent UI/UX across devices.
- Engineered reusable components and custom hooks in React for shared logic, reducing code duplication by 30% and improving maintainability, streamlining development and enhancing performance by minimizing re-renders.

Game Developer | Buzzy.gg

March 2024 – September 2024

- Developed a global server search system using TeleportService and MemoryStores to cache and manage server data, enabling seamless player connections across multiple regions, increasing player connectivity and expanding game reach by 30%.
- Implemented secure HTTP JSON protocols for transmitting critical game data between client-side and reserve servers, leveraging memory caching to reduce latency by 20% and enhance data reliability for 100 daily active users.
- Programmed a queue system using datastores to manage 40+ daily uploads in the custom props marketplace, improving item visibility by 25% and streamlining the upload process, resulting in a 15% increase in user satisfaction.

Technical Founder | AIMSTARS ☑

June 2020 - March 2024

- Launched a shooter game programmed in Lua with 9 million plays, 15,000 monthly active users, and over \$30,000 in revenue, driven by engaging gameplay and effective in-game monetization.
- Designed AI-driven bots using the Pathfinding Service for human-like movement, incorporating obstacle avoidance and dynamic path recalculations, boosting player engagement by 40% and retention rates by 25%.
- Implemented a global leaderboard system with ProfileService, managing real-time score updates for 100+ concurrent players, resulting in a 35% increase in user engagement and competition.

PROJECTS

 $\textbf{FabFlix} \mid \textit{Java, JavaScript, MySQL, AWS EC2, Tomcat, jQuery, Docker, Kubernetes}$

March 2024 - June 2024

- Deployed a movie browser on AWS EC2 with Tomcat, hosting 20,000 movies, ensuring high availability and scalability.
- Set up CI/CD pipelines for automated testing, integration, and deployment, cutting deployment time by 50%.
- Boosted website performance by 15% through MySQL connection pooling, Apache load balancing, and AWS auto-scaling.

NagaGuard 🗹 | React, Flask, MySQL, Python, JavaScript, Bootstrap, Gemini AI

April 2024

- Developed a full-stack web app that transcribes medical records into clinical codes, reducing medical coding time by 99%.
- Constructed a MySQL database to manage 200+ of medical records, patient data, and user authentication.
- Utilized Flask for backend development, managing SQL queries and serving data through RESTful APIs.

AWARDS

1st place | Coinbase OnChain Summer Buildathon | Project: Blue Social 🗗 August 2024
1st place | UCR BearHacks - Best Startup | Project: NagaGuard 🗗 April 2024