# Hasan Alqassab

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## **EDUCATION**

Columbia University Expected Graduation: May 2025

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

**Awards/Honors:** Crown Prince International Scholarship Recipient (selected as one of three students awarded a full-ride university scholarship), Bahrain Math Olympiad Gold, Dean's List.

**Relevant Coursework:** Distributed Systems, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Data Analytics, Blockchain Development, Parallel Functional Programming, Advanced Programming, Databases, Data Structures and Algorithms.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Flipp Tickets
New York, NY

Co-Founder

August 2024 – Present

GPA: 3.81/4.00

- Building blockchain-based live event ticket exchange payment system, solving for ticket scalping and scams.
- Received \$3000 stipend from National Science Foundation from Start Me Up Bootcamp.
- Deployed application on Base with integrated USDC payments and connection to Google and Ticketmaster APIs.
- Advised by A16z Crypto Head of Research Tim Roughgarden and Microsoft Head of Blockchain Yorke Rhodes.

## **BlockApps** - RWA Marketplace

New York, NY

Blockchain Engineering Intern

June 2024 – August 2024

- Built compiler features for an in-house smart contract language using Haskell, resolving critical node crash bugs and improving Layer 1 blockchain reliability and usability.
- Enhanced the Blockchain Indexer for array tables using Haskell, reducing the number of database queries by 50%.
- Deployed and tested Solidity smart contracts to enable secure and transparent transactions for a Real World Assets (RWA) marketplace, ensuring compliance with blockchain standards.

### Columbia University Steingart Lab

New York, NY

Software Engineering Intern

*May 2023 – August 2023* 

- Built full-stack software infrastructure for ultrasonic battery characterization methods using Node.js and Flask.
- Developed robust Python and C++ APIs to enable researchers to remotely operate lab equipment and stream real-time data through a user-friendly interface, significantly improving operational efficiency by 70%.

# VirtuThinko - Technology Solutions

Manama, Bahrain

Software Engineering Intern

June 2022 – August 2022

- Designed and developed the front-end of a web-based internship platform.
- Collaborated cross-functionally with clients and the engineering team to understand business needs and translate them into actionable technical requirements.
- Obtained AWS Cloud Practitioner Certificate.

#### COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Columbia University New York, NY

Teaching Assistant

• COMSW 4701: Artificial Intelligence.

September 2024 - December 2024

COMSW 4705: Natural Language Processing.

January 2025 - Present

#### **SKILLS**

- **Programming Languages:** (Most Experienced) Python, Java, JavaScript, Solidity, (Some Experience) Golang, C/C++, Haskell.
- Tools and Frameworks: MySQL, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, AWS, Docker, Flask, Node.js, React, Pandas, scikit-learn, TensorFlow, Keras, git, Linux/Unix, Bash.
- Languages: English (Bilingual Proficiency), Arabic (Native).