

# Ishan Baliyan

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## SKILLS

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**Languages:** Java, Python, Scheme, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Racket

**Frameworks/Libraries:** React, Node.js, Express.js, TensorFlow, Bootstrap, Selenium, MaterialUI

**Tools:** Git, Firebase, MongoDB (MERN stack), Heroku, Netlify

## EDUCATION

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**University of Waterloo**

Waterloo, ON (*Sep 2021–April 2026*)

Honors Bachelor of Computer Science | *Major GPA: 3.9/4.0*

*Faculty of Mathematics Scholarship \$10,000 / Awarded to Top 5% Faculty Students Based on National Contest Scores*

## EXPERIENCE

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**Google Computer Science Summer Institute (CSSI) | *CSSI Scholar***

*July 2021*

- 4-week intensive computer science program organized by Google.
- Built web applications with **Firebase**, **Oath2 Google authentication**, and **JavaScript** taught by Google engineers.
- Completed product design, development, and software engineering interview training.

**Harvard University Wadduwage Lab | *Remote Research Intern***

*July 2020 – Present*

- Developing a **Python Deep Learning** algorithm using convolutional neural networks to denoise images of organisms.

**UWaterloo Social and Intelligent Robotics Research Lab (SIRRL) | *Research Assistant***

*July 2020 – Present*

- Researching applications of Social Robotics in healthcare (under Prof. Dautenhahn, Canada Research Chair).
- Conducting data extraction and systematic review of 8000+ papers with professors and researchers for publication.

**MVS Systems Inc. | *Software Consultant Intern (part-time)***

*Aug 2019 – March 2020*

- Paid contract partnered with United Nations for robotics Research & Development.
- Designed **Arduino** autonomous driving on prototype robot for detecting landmines in 3<sup>rd</sup> world countries.

**FIRST Robotics Team 2706 | *Software Engineer for Autonomous Driving***

*September 2018 – July 2021*

- World Division Finalist in **FIRST Robotics Competition World Championships** (**Top 35 from 4000+ teams**) in 2018.
- Programmed autonomous systems in **Java**, while using tools such as **GitHub**, **Scrums**, **Kanban**, and **Gantt charts**.

## PROJECTS

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**PiggyBank: Finalist at University of Waterloo Engineering Hackathon (EngHack 2021) | *Demo***

- Designed web application in **React** with backend of **MongoDB**, **Node**, and **Express** to build a banking app for youth.
- Placed as Hackathon Project **Winner** and won **\$1000 prize** against nearly 300 participants.

**Google Chalkboard: Google CSSI Final Project | *Demo***

- Developed a chalkboard education web app with **Firebase database**, **Oath2 Google authentication**, and **Python Machine learning** model with **TensorFlow JS** on the MNIST dataset.
- Project gained nearly 50 unique clones from Google CSSI, the most in a cohort of more than fifty students.

**Travel Map Personal Project, Full MERN stack app | *Demo***

- Built login-based review system of world map locations with **MongoDB**, **Express**, **React**, and **Node** (MERN stack).
- **Web scraped** live-feed of world map from node libraries and deployed app using **Heroku**, **Netlify**, and **Vercel**.

## LEADERSHIP

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**National FIRST Robotics Youth Council | *Youth Council Rep.***

*September 2019 – July 2021*

- Led and Represented 25,000 members of FIRST Robotics to organize National Hackathons, Conferences (+speaker), Summer camps, cleanups (featured in news), and interviews with President of 3M Canada and CEOs.

**SHAD Summer Program at Ryerson University | *SHAD Fellow, Team Lead***

*July 2019*

- Intensive 4-week program at Ryerson University, with daily lectures from Nobel Laureates, CEOs, and Professors.
- Led team to invent battery recycling project that won **First Place** in Startup competition against 10 teams.

**Interests:** Skydiving at 13,500 feet, novice at chess, travelling across different countries