

# "Jake" Zhi Wang

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## EDUCATION

**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**

Expected May 2025

Master of Computer Science

**GPA: 4.0**

**Relevant Courses:** Cloud Networking, Cloud Computing Applications, Database Systems, Applied Machine Learning

**University of Minnesota-Twin Cities**

Dec 2020

Bachelor of Computer Engineering

**Relevant Courses:** Internet Programming, Comp Arch & Machine Org, Intro to OS, Intro to Intelligent Robotic Systems, Formal Lang & Autom, Animation & Planning in Games, Programming Graphics and Games

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** JavaScript, TypeScript, Java, SQL, Python, C/C++, HTML, CSS, Bash, Fortran

**Frameworks & Tools:** Git, React.js, Next.js, Node.js, Nest.js, PostgreSQL, Expo, React Native, Express.js, Spring, Visual Studio, MongoDB, Vercel, Docker, Github, BitBucket, GitLab, AWS, Heroku, Supabase, IntelliJ, Matlab, Jira, Favro, GCP

**Spoken Languages:** English, Mandarin, & Shanghainese

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign**

Champaign, IL

**Graduate Course Assistant**

May 2024 - Present

- Assisted in teaching CS411 - Database Systems, supporting students in their learning journey by answering questions and monitoring their progress
- Designed, tested, and graded coursework to ensure alignment with course objectives and student learning outcomes
- Collaborated closely with teaching staff to enhance course content and delivery, contributing to a dynamic learning environment

**Foundry Co**

Minneapolis, MN

**Full Stack Software Engineer**

Jun 2021 - Aug 2023

- Engaged in full-stack web development and maintenance for a high-traffic site, serving over 50,000 users, utilizing Spring and Vue.js
- Collaborated across teams, including UX and engineering, to plan and implement numerous in-demand features across 6 apps, utilizing technologies like Next.js, Node.js, Nest.js, and React.js
- Teamed up with engineers to rapidly create a Slack app to providing an efficient solution for recording pool matches, leveraging Supabase serverless functions
- Improved page response times by over 10 seconds by refactoring a complex express.js and MongoDB back-end into Nest.js and Prisma
- Designed and built quality APIs for applications and consumed APIs in various projects
- Participated in software design, conducted code reviews, and provided constructive feedback to improve code quality and maintainability
- Coordinated with the team to define execution plans and efficiently managed tasks using Jira and Favro
- Professionally interacted with clients to grasp their needs and provide daily technical assistance

## PROJECTS

**Lil Networking**

May 2023 - Present

**The app designed to help people form intentional networking habits that lead to professional relationships**

- Designed and implemented a multi-platform Progressive Web App using Next.js and a native mobile app using Expo to help people form networking habits
- Created user-friendly interfaces using TailwindCSS and Material-UI to facilitate easy navigation and interaction
- Utilized OpenID Connect Sign-In through LinkedIn for secure user authentication and personalized configurations
- Leveraged Prisma ORM for seamless interaction with PostgreSQL, enabling efficient data management and retrieval
- Enabled Progressive Web App (PWA) capabilities for an enhanced user experience on all devices
- Set up push notifications using web-push to keep users engaged and informed about networking opportunities
- Deployed the application and added analytics on Vercel to better understand user preferences

## PUBLICATIONS

**Journal of Physics D: Applied Physics**

2021

***Numerical Simulations of Hydrogen Interstitial Diffusion and Ferroelectricity Degradation in Lead Titanate Films***

Jeong Ho You, Lin Zhu, Cooper Gray, Zhi Wang and Changdong Yeo