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Education

Undergraduate • **Stanford University** Stanford, CA 09/2023 - 06/2027

Upper-School Student • **The Nueva School** San Mateo, CA UW GPA 4.0 08/2019 - 06/2023

- Selected awards: “Silver”, USA Computing Olympiad; SXSW//EDU Startup Finalist, top 5 out of 2000+
- Select coursework: Differential Equ., Linear Algebra, Multi-Variable Calculus, Machine Learning, Software Engineering

Skills

- Data/ML: PyTorch, TensorFlow, NumPy, Pandas
- Python Full-Stack: Flask, Django
- {Dev,ML}Ops: Docker, Kubernetes, Kubeflow, CVAT
- Front End/JS: React, Svelte, Ionic, NextJS
- iOS Development: AppKit, SwiftUI
- Math Modeling: R, Mathematica, MATLAB
- FP/LISP: Clojure, Common Lisp, Haskell
- C/C++: Eigen, Qt, i2C/UART development
- Product management: user stories, need-finding
- Project management: agile, gantt charts, Jira

Significant Endeavors

Research Associate • **MacWhinney Lab, CMU** talkbank.org psycho. and comp. linguistics lab 2022-Present

- Developed language sample analysis tool that performs 20% higher F1 on utterance segmentation
- Maintained TalkBank, the world’s largest auditory language pathology database, in team of 5
- Tools developed being used by 8 other clinical linguistics labs across the world

Research Assistant • **UC Davis Dementia Center** big-data dementia analysis group 2022-Present

- Led analysis of the large National Alzheimer’s Coordinating Center dataset at the group
- Demonstrated state-of-the-art accuracy in dementia and MCI classification (93% F1)

Co-Founder • **The Conduction Project** conduction.com open-source task-management app 2019-Present

- Created task-management app used by 4,000+ active monthly users worldwide
- Leveraged effective social marketing campaigns for 5,000+ monthly impressions
- Lead 8-person lean development team with Agile-driven workflows

Project Lead • **MODAP** San Mateo, CA non-profit firefighting aid R&D 2019-2023

- Lead 8 engineers in creating a rapid & accurate airborne payload delivery service
- Trained award-winning in-house CV models on embedded projectile devices
- Supported by Fire Chiefs at CalFire & Colorado Fire Departments

Consulting ML Engineer • **Dragonfruit AI** dragonfruit.ai enterprise video analytics startup 2021-2022

- Hired as one of the youngest ML Engineers, reporting to head of Data Science, developing CV models
- Pushed 4 major features into production, created training workflow that expedited tuning by 33%

Lecturer • **AIFS AIBridge** aifs.ucdavis.edu graduate-level machine learning program 2022

- Developed a comprehensive one-week ML bootcamp hosted in collaboration between UC Davis and AIFS
- Co-taught course to 22 graduate students in food science across Davis, Berkeley, and Cornell

A curriculum vitae follows with relevant publications and pre-prints.

Publications and Pre-Prints

- Liu, H.**, MacWhinney, B., Fromm, D., Lanzi, A. (2023). Automation of Language Sample Analysis. *Journal of Speech, Language, and Hearing Research*. https://doi.org/10.1044/2023_JSLHR-22-00642
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- Krishnan, A., Brown, M., **Liu, H.**, Holmes, G., Hauser, P., De, L. (2023). Project80 3.0: An Updated Student-Driven Framework for Creating Multimedia Educational Resources from Primary Literature. *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, 299(3), S240.
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- Liu, H.** (2022). Encrypted, Anonymized System for Protected Health Information Verification Built via Proof of Stake. arXiv preprint arXiv:2205.02753. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2205.02753>
- Liu, H.**, Krishnan, A., Brown, M., Hauser, P., De, L. (2022). Project 80: a reproducible, student-driven framework for creating multimedia educational resources from primary literature. *The FASEB Journal*, 36.
- Liu, H.** (2021). Towards Automated Psychotherapy via Language Modeling. arXiv preprint arXiv:2104.10661. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2104.10661>
- Liu, H.** (2020). Byte-Pair and N-Gram Convolutional Methods of Analysing Automatically Disseminated Content on Social Platforms. OpenScienceFoundation <https://doi.org/10.20944/preprints202004.0214.v1>