

# KISHA MULENGA

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## EDUCATION

**Bethune Cookman University (BCU)** - *Cumulative GPA: 3.91/4.0*

Daytona Beach, Florida

**Major:** Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Graduation: December 2026

**Relevant Coursework:** Calculus I & II, Computer Programming I & II (Java Object Oriented Programming), Linear algebra, Fundamentals of Scientific Computing, Databases (NoSQL, SQL)

**Honors and Scholarships:** President's list, Honors Student, NASA MUREP DEAP Scholar

## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** Python, Java, HTML, JavaScript, CSS, C++,

**Technologies/Frameworks:** Flask, React, Git, Tableau, QGIS, Figma, MySQL, Tailwind

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Bethune-Cookman University** – *Undergraduate Researcher*

August 2023 - Present

- Conducting **machine learning-based research** on flood mapping using a virtual constellation of multispectral and synthetic aperture radar satellites, enhancing data integration and uncertainty estimation techniques.
- Participated in a collaborative research initiative with HBCUs and NASA Centers, contributing to the development of advanced environmental intelligence systems for space-based earth sciences

**National Aeronautical Space Administration** – *Disaster Applications Intern*

June 2024 – August 2024

- Analyzed **Planet Optical satellite imagery** to identify proper model parameters, input data and generate training samples for a Python-based model utilizing red, green, blue, and near-infrared bands in QGIS
- Developed a classifier using the **Random Forest algorithm** to generate flood maps with **75%** accuracy, improving the precision of disaster response efforts.

**Sponsors for Educational Opportunity** – *Software developer Intern*

May 2024 – July 2024

- Implement and streamline scalable web applications integrating **APIs, Python (Flask) & MySQL** for backend operations and **JavaScript & HTML/CSS** for the frontend to ensuring optimal functionality
- Direct Agile sprint** planning sessions within Scrum teams to conceive, design, and launch over 15 user-driven features, establishing a feedback loop that increased user satisfaction by 12% and retention by 15%.

## PROJECTS

**IntelliPoker App**

- Developed an AI-driven poker game using **Python and Flask**, improving gameplay logic efficiency by 25% and enhancing user engagement through real-time strategic insights
- Integrated ChatGPT for interactive in-game commentary, processing thousands of player decisions and providing real-time feedback to enrich the gaming experience.

**Gourmet Guide**

- Developed a terminal-based restaurant management application using **Python, Yelp API, ChatGPT API** enhancing a users restaurant search based on their preferences.
- Integrated a **SQLite database** for efficient storage and retrieval of user information, implementing unit tests and validity functions to preventing application crashes due to invalid inputs.

## INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

**EcoCar Electrical Vehicle Challenge** – *Equity in Mobility lead*

January 2023 – Present

- Collaborated with a **team of 20+ individuals** in a four-year competition to enhance electric vehicle solutions through disassembly, rebuilding, and UX/UI improvements.
- Attended team meetings, facilitating open discussions, delivering comprehensive progress updates, and resolving technical challenges, leading to a 25% reduction in project timelines and improved cross-functional collaboration.

**Bethune-Cookman University Mathematics Department** – *Mathematics Tutor*

September 2023 - Present

- Guided personalized math tutoring to **30-45 students** at different levels to help achieve academic goals and increase overall student performance **by 25%** and class attendance by **35%**.
- Fostered a supportive and engaging learning environment that encourages students to ask questions, explore new concepts grades, and build confidence in math, resulting in 100% positive feedback

