

# LAURA GERARDO

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## EDUCATION

**Loyola University Chicago** – Chicago, IL  
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science  
Major GPA 3.54  
Overall GPA 3.16  
Dean's List

December 2024

Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023

## RELEVANT COURESEWORK FOR UPCOMING SEMESTER

• Data Structures II • Client-Side Web Development • Software Engineering • IT Project Management

## EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

**BUILD Emerging Leaders** – Whirlpool Corporation  
*Externship*

July 2023

- Technology Focus

**Diversity Accelerator** – Discover  
*Externship*

May 2023

- Software Engineer Track

## CERTIFICATION

**Certified Scrum Master** – Scrum Alliance  
*ID: 001581209 CSM*

October 2023

- Demonstrated proficiency in Scrum methodologies and Agile project management
- Acquired essential skills and knowledge in facilitating and optimizing Agile development
- Skills:** Scrum Methodologies · Agile Project Management · Product Backlog Management · Stakeholder Collaboration

**Software Developer** – IBM  
*Intermediate*

July 2023

- Received coaching from current IBM Technical Leaders, Master Inventors, and Developers
- Developed a deeper understanding of coding assessment platforms, Software Dev Life Cycle, and coding logic
- Skills:** GitHub · Full-Stack Development · Version Control · Agile Methodologies · Application Security

**Languages:** CSS, HTML, JavaScript

## PROJECTS

**Spotify=Apple Music Converter** – Personal Project

July 2023 – Present

- A method for friends to share music between two popular streaming platforms
- Skills:** API utilization · GitHub · Full-Stack Development · Library Use

**Tools:** Python and Springboot

**Dr Missense's Mayhem** – Class Project

September 2022 –December 2022

- Interactive java game that helps players learn about amino acids
- Four levels test the user on different properties of each amino acid: abbreviations, side chain polarity, and visual identity
- Utilizes several object classes for answer sets and questions sets and a driver class
- Skills:** Object oriented programming, JFrame image implementation

**Languages:** Java

## SKILLS

Programming languages: Java, JavaScript, Linux and Python  
Tools/Platforms: Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint, and Word  
Bilingual (English & Spanish): Seal of Biliteracy in Spanish 2020

## EXTRACURRICULARS

**Mexican American Student Association**  
*Executive Vice President*  
*Treasurer*

May 2021 – Present

- Manage budget and resources for 8 yearly programs and events aimed at cultural development for 50 students
- Maintain a professional, ethical, and welcoming persona to all members involved in our student programs.
- Oversaw 421% interest growth in the past 3 years