

# Laryn Qi

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## EDUCATION

### University of California, Berkeley

GPA: 3.95/4.00

*M.S. Electrical Engineering and Computer Science*

May 2024

- **Thesis:** Educational LLM AI Programming Assistants. Featured by [Microsoft](#) and published on [arXiv](#) & [Berkeley](#)
- **Courses:** Generative AI & LLMs, Reinforcement Learning, Natural Language Processing, Convex Optimization

### University of California, Berkeley

GPA: 3.82/4.00

*B.A. Computer Science, B.A. Music*

May 2023

- **Courses:** Statistical Machine Learning, Data Science, Probability & Stochastic Processes, Linear Algebra, Discrete Math, Operating Systems, Combinatorial Data Structures & Algorithms (Graduate), Randomized Algorithms, Computability & Complexity Theory, Programming Languages & Compilers, Security, Comp. Architecture
- **Honors:** Upsilon Pi Epsilon CS Honor Society (top 1/3 of CS majors), College of Letters & Science Honors 2020-2021

## EXPERIENCE

### Instalily.ai

New York City, NY

*Machine Learning Engineer – Platform/ML Infrastructure*

June 2024 – Present

- Eng. & Architecture lead of core AI platform `pip` package consisting of multi-agent framework & internal dev tooling
- Deploying & finetuning open-source HuggingFace LLMs & embedding models on GCP for supply chain distributors
- Building robust, scalable data pipelines for RAG agents: e-commerce chatbots, customer service, and email response
- Interfacing directly with clients on-site and managing cloud infra security to reach SOC2 Type 2 & HIPAA compliance

### Berkeley Artificial Intelligence Research (BAIR)

Berkeley, CA

*AI Researcher – LLM Applications & Evaluation*

August 2023 – Present

- Deployed LLM AI programming assistant for 2000+ CS students via VS Code extension & command line integration
- Prompt engineering, designed LLM evaluation frameworks, maintained model & backend infrastructure, trained deep neural networks using TensorFlow for predicting student performance, and built data pipelines & visualizations
- Published tool's positive impact on office hour queues & homework completion times at [NeurIPS'23](#) & [SIGCSE'25](#)

### Amazon

Seattle, WA

*Software Engineer Intern – Fraud Detection Team*

May 2021 – August 2021

- Designed & shipped a big-data ingestion & search service for fraud detection used daily by Amazon threat analysts
- Resulted in **30%** improvement in analyst efficiency, saving **300 person-hours** a month at a cost of less than **\$2/hour**
- Used serverless AWS infrastructure to implement a scalable, cost-efficient, fault-tolerant, extensible, and secure system

### UC Berkeley EECS

Berkeley, CA

*Lecturer – Intro CS*

Summer 2022, Summer 2024

- Gave lectures, wrote exams, and hired staff of **25+** TAs/tutors and **50+** academic interns for class of **400+** students
- Taught data structures, algorithms, recursion, OOP, trees, linked lists, complexity, and functional programming
- Average teaching effectiveness rating of **4.52/5.00** by students, won **Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award (2023)**, awarded to **top 10%** of TAs university-wide, and won **Outstanding Academic Intern Award (2020)**, awarded to **top 7%** of Intro CS lab assistants

## SOFTWARE PROJECTS

### San Francisco Conservatory of Music (Contract Lead Software Engineer)

May 2022 - January 2023

- Built a dashboard for SFCM to increase event/concert turnout by parsing, aggregating, and visualizing historical data
- Trained **6** developers with no web dev experience to build a full-stack web app using React, Express, and PostgreSQL

### Mothership (Contract Lead Software Engineer)

December 2021 – May 2022

- Sourced & specced data science/backend project to serve carrier supply & shipment demand density in metro areas
- Led **6** developers through system architecture research, design doc, data analysis, service deployment, and testing

### BlueConduit (Contract Software Engineer)

August 2021 – January 2022

- Built web app for city officials to upload & visualize water service pipeline data for finding best replacement locations
- Part of a [multimillion collaboration](#) between BlueConduit and Google.org to support lead service line replacements
- Used Django REST framework & JSON web tokens to handle user authentication and Mapbox API for visualizations

### Relativity Space (Contract Software Engineer)

February 2021 – May 2021

- Developed web app for visualizing real-time time-series data streaming from sensors on rockets into InfluxDB
- Built APIs, sockets, React dashboards, D3 graphs with custom absolute/relative timeranges for multiple data streams
- Emphasized improved performance over Grafana through streamed data caching and client-side shared global state

## SKILLS

**Languages:** Python, Java, C, SQL, Go, JavaScript, TypeScript, OCaml, LaTeX, Assembly, Lisp, HTML/CSS

**Tools & Frameworks:** Git, AWS, GCP, Azure, Unix, Linux, Docker, PyTorch, TensorFlow, sklearn, pandas, NumPy, MatPlot, React, Vue, Flask, Django, Express, MongoDB, InfluxDB