# Yariel Mercado

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EDUCATION

University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez

Expected Graduation Date: May 2024

B.S. Software Engineering *GPA*: **3.74** 

Relevant Coursework: Applied Data Structures & Algorithms, Software Design & Testing, Machine Learning, Operating Systems, Cryptography, Databases, Capstone (Current)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, C/C++

Software Tools: HTML, CSS, Flask, pandas, JUnit, Guice, Mockito, TensorFlow

Other Tools: Git, SQL, Perforce, LATEX

WORK EXPERIENCE

Microsoft

Capstone Project February 2024 - Current
• Pioneered Project Ad Astra to increase Windows 10 to 11 conversions via in-product

promotions and a dynamic OS installer. Services over 2 million users a week.

• Created new UI/UX designs for the installer, **WebView2** screens to add rich content, and enabled cloud side changes to launch the new features.

• Developed **TypeScript** code to support these while measuring their impact via telemetry.

UPRM On-Site

OS Teaching Assistant

August 2023 - Dec 2023

• Placed in charge of 30+ students for the weekly Operating Systems laboratories.

• Reinforced core concepts, in C, while writing and administering exams.

Google On-Site

Google Chat Backend Intern

May 2023 - August 2023

• Introduced custom metrics collected from Spanner RPCs.

• Surfaced the metrics to a live, time-series dashboard tracking over 150+ actions and utilized by dozens of teams within Chat.

• Designed unit & integration tests to evaluate the metrics via internal Java frameworks.

**NVIDIA** Remote

 $GPU\ Design\ Verification\ Intern$ 

May 2022 - August 2022

- Engineered a metrics dashboard which unified 80 hardware teams' data onto Excel.
- **Doubled** the efficiency of the development cycle by rewriting the script's logic.
- Parsed CSV, YAML, and XLSX files, organized the data onto **pandas** dataframes, and wrote via the **XlsxWriter** library.

TECHNICAL PROJECTS

## Tweets Disaster Classification

May 2023

- Reached the top 10 rankings of a competition with a binary text classifier.
- Attained high accuracies by implementing FFNNs & CNNs via TensorFlow and Matplotlib.

### Pathway Internships

April 2022

- Deployed via **Heroku** an internship review website alongside teammates at Google's Tech Exchange program.
- Allows users to post internship reviews for a company under their account. Company scores are appropriately updated and ranked.
- Built the backend utilizing the **Flask** framework. User data is **securely encrypted** and stored along with reviews in a CRUD, **MongoDB** database.

#### Embedded Systems Elevator Project

July 2021-December 2021

- Developed a virtual elevator management system alongside the RUMarino embedded division.
- Mentored first years collaborating with the team in: OOP, C++, and Git.

#### ASSOCIATIONS

#### Computer Alliance of Hispanic Serving Institutions (CAHSI)

August 2021-Present

• Assisted and mentored several sessions for CAHSI's Coding Club, focused on DS&A.

## RUMarino- Autonomous Water Vehicle Club

July 2021-May 2022

• Formed an integral part of the software development process of the submersible.