NAVEEN GALI

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EDUCATION

Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, IL

January 2024 - May 2025

Master of Science, Computer Science, GPA 3.25

Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research, Chennai, India

July 2019 - May 2019

Bachelor of Technology, Computer Science, GPA 3.9

SKILLS

- Programming Languages: JavaScript, TypeScript
- Front-End Development: React, React Native, Redux, Axios, HTML, CSS, Styled Components
- Back-End Development: Node.js, Express.js, RESTful APIs, JSON
- Databases: MongoDB, MySQL, PostgreSQL, Firebase, DynamoDB
- Cloud Platforms & Services: AWS (S3, Lambda, Cloud Functions, Amplify), Imgur
- Search & AI: Elasticsearch, OpenAI (GPT Models, Embedding Models)
- DevOps & Tools: Git, GitHub, GitLab, Bitbucket, Docker, Docker Compose, Microsoft App Center, CI/CD, Swagger,
 Strapi CMS

WORK EXPERIENCE

UX/UI Design Director (Volunteer)

Rebecca Everlene Trust Company, Chicago, IL

June 2025 - Present

- Led the UX/UI design and development of the "Landmarks" game, a GPS-driven, game-based API tool for kidnapping prevention.
- Managed a large team of designers and Unity developers to create an interactive location-based game that familiarizes children with surroundings by blurring physical and virtual realities.
- Leveraged Google gaming technology and GPS to build virtual representations of real-world landmarks, aiding users in recalling important locations and preventing disorientation.

React Native Intern

Mutual Mobile, Hyderabad, India

December 2022 - September 2023

- Enhanced code quality and readability by applying best practices, resulting in 25% higher performance and 10% fewer bugs.
- Mentored junior developers, providing feedback and reducing bug reports by an additional 5%.
- Deployed RESTful APIs using JavaScript Frameworks to enable seamless data flow, improving application responsiveness and user satisfaction by 30%.
- Improved frontend performance, readability, and scalability of a large-scale mobile app by 20% each by implementing TypeScript for creating custom components in React Native.

Application Development Intern

Inventgrid, India

July 2021 - December 2022

- Engineered seamless data transfer between front-end applications and JSON REST APIs using React and Axios, reducing page load times by 40% and improving application responsiveness.
- Developed a user-friendly SaaS Home Services app with React Native, Redux, and Firebase, achieving a 50% increase in user engagement.

PROJECTS

Smart Homes E-Commerce Application

December 2024

 Developed a full-stack e-commerce platform for smart home products using React.js, Node.js, Express.js, MySQL, and MongoDB.

- Implemented core e-commerce functionalities including user authentication, product catalog management (7 categories, 70+ products), shopping cart, and order processing.
- Implemented an OpenAI-powered chatbot to answer customer inquiries; resolved 30 common support questions, achieving a potential of 90% satisfaction rating for the chatbot's responses and insights.
- Leveraged Elasticsearch for advanced semantic product search and review analysis, enhancing product discovery and user engagement.
- Engineered a customer support system with AI-driven image analysis for ticket tracking, projecting a
 potential 20% reduction in support agent workload.
- Configured Docker volumes for persistent data storage, preventing data loss during application restarts and earning recognition as the most junior member on the team to ensure data integrity.

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- Created and updated web and mobile applications for a Home Services with React, React Native, overhauling performance and reliability by 40%.
- Resolved 12 critical bugs reported by users on the production React Native application, directly improving user satisfaction and reducing negative app store reviews by 40%.
- Implemented CI/CD, Swagger, and Strapi CMS to streamline the development and deployment process, improving user engagement by 20%.
- Automated app updates and crash reporting via App Center, improving release efficiency by 20%.