C. Sergio Vavra

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EDUCATION

James Madison University, B.S. Computer Science - Harrisonburg, VA

Expected May 2026

- Junior academic standing as a second-year student taking programming, math and problem solving classes.
- 3.654 GPA having taken Software Engineering, Computer Systems, and other high level CS courses.

Yorktown High School - Arlington, VA

Graduated June 2022

• 4.2/3.86 weighted/unweighted GPA having taken multiple complex AP courses.

Google Data Analytics Professional Certificate

Completed June 2023

- Completed a collection of eight rigorous courses developed by Google that included hands-on, practice-based assessments that were designed to prepare students for introductory level jobs in data analytics.
- Learned to adapt to asynchronous learning style and implement high level techniques in spreadsheets, SQL, Tableau, and R to prepare, clean, process, analyze and share data.

Google IT Support Certificate

Completed June 2022

- Proficiency in command line input and output, PowerShell, and Java.
- Sufficient knowledge on hardware, troubleshooting, networking, and software.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Computer Science Student Researcher - James Madison University, VA.

November 2023 - Current

- Developed and implemented a Rasa chatbot leveraging AI and machine learning methodologies as part of a research project under Professor Isaac Wang at JMU.
- Utilized Python to design and customize chatbot actions, demonstrating proficiency in leveraging programming languages for tailored solutions in AI-driven applications using machine learning.

Server and Sales Clerk - Pastries by Randolph, VA

August 2020 - August 2023

• Greeted and assisted customers with a friendly and welcoming demeanor, ensuring a positive customer experience.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Project Coordinator - Technology Student Association, Yorktown High School, VA September 2018 - June 2022

- Brainstormed and designed a new technology with 3 other members, planning and designing the technology using the 8 steps of engineering design.
- Coordinated weekly meetings during meeting times, as well outside of club times to ensure work was completed efficiently and properly.

PROJECT & COURSEWORK EXPERIENCE

Personal Project | Single Thread Von Neuman CPU - CS 261 Final Project, JMU

August 2023 - December 2023

- Successfully designed and implemented the Von Neumann architecture, encompassing the CPU, memory, and control unit in C.
- Employed effective debugging techniques to identify and resolve issues, showcasing problem-solving skills in low-level programming.

Personal Project | Multi-Functioning Calculator - CS 345 Final Project, JMU

October 2023 - December 2023

- Leveraged Java programming language to architect and develop core functionalities of a multi-function calculator, ensuring robustness and efficiency in computational operations.
- Led Scrum implementation, driving daily stand-ups, sprint planning, and retrospectives to meet project milestone while managing codebase iterations via GitHub.

Software Engineering - CS 345, James Madison University

August 2023 - December 2023

- Acquired proficiency in software engineering principles, methodologies, and tools, enabling effective software product development, problem-solving, and decision-making.
- Gained expertise in agile methodologies through a half-semester long group project using Scrum.

Application Development - CS 343, James Madison University

January 2023 - Expected May 2023

- Gained expertise in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript to produce high quality, efficient, and visually pleasing websites and applications.
- Demonstrated practical application through hands-on coding assignments and collaborative projects, fostering proficiency in CSS, JavaScript, and HTML.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Operating Systems - Windows, MacOS, Linux, Unix

Software - Proficient in GitHub, Windows PowerShell, MacOS Terminal, Tableau, Stu.

Programming Languages - Advanced in Java, Python, C, HTML, CSS, JavaScript. Knowledgable in SQL, R.