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## Education

### University of Virginia

Charlottesville, VA

#### UNDERGRADUATE

Expt. May 2026

- Pursuing a double major in Computer Science and Economics.
- Currently a rising junior, engaging in coursework and extracurricular academic pursuits.

**Relevant Coursework:** Data Structures and Algorithms 1 & 2, Software Development Essentials, Discrete Mathematics and Theory 1, Intermediate Microeconomics, Economics of the Public Sector, Sustainability Economics.

## Experience

### Weblems - Part Time

Virginia Beach, VA (Remote)

#### UX/UI DESIGNER

Jul. 2023 - Present

- Collaborated with the CTO to design and refine user interfaces for client projects, resulting in a 35% improvement in client satisfaction.
- Led the iterative design process, incorporating client feedback to produce final designs 20% faster and increase client approval rates by 25%.
- Conducted a usability audit of the company's website, implementing changes that enhanced user experience and increased site engagement by 22%.
- Updated and optimized existing client websites using WordPress, which resulted in a 10% increase in overall client retention.

### PolyUno - Internship

Washington, DC (Remote)

#### UX DESIGNER

Jul. 2022 - Jun. 2023

- Achieved 22% increase in user satisfaction by analyzing requirements and goals, and creating wireframes, prototypes, and UI designs.
- Collaborated with designers to enhance design quality and usability, resulting in a 15% decrease in user friction.
- Conducted usability testing sessions with 30 users, driving iterative UX improvements and leading to a 36% increase in task completion rates.
- Ensured designs aligned with industry best practices, resulting in a 25% increase in user engagement.

### College Marketplace - Part Time

Charlottesville, VA

#### UX DESIGNER

Jul. 2022 - Apr. 2023

- Provided actionable design feedback, optimizing user experience and usability, resulting in a 15% increase in user satisfaction.
- Recommended improvements in information architecture, navigation, and visual design, reducing user friction by 12%.
- Collaborated with the founder to iterate designs based on user feedback and best practices, increasing user engagement by 26%.
- Contributed to design guidelines and style recommendations, ensuring consistent branding and a visually appealing product.

## Certifications

### LinkedIn Learning

Online

#### EXPLORE REACT.JS DEVELOPMENT

Feb. 2024 - May 2024

- Built an interface and created projects and received the certificate of completion.
- Gained a foundation in ReactJS and learned topics including hooks, authentication, and server-side rendering

#### JAVASCRIPT ESSENTIAL TRAINING

Jan. 2024 - Feb. 2024

- Completed several code challenges and quizzes and received the certificate of completion.
- Learned the core principles and advanced topics including loops and DOM scripting.

### SuperSimpleDev

Online

#### HTML & CSS COURSE

Jun. 2023 - Jul. 2023

- Successfully completed immersive programs in UX design and HTML & CSS, acquiring proficiency in essential industry tools and methodologies.
- Mastered UX research, prototyping, and industry-standard tools (Figma, Adobe XD, HTML, CSS), demonstrating expertise through hands-on projects and earning prestigious certifications.

### Google

Online

#### UX DESIGN CERTIFICATE

Jul. 2022 - Mar. 2023

- Completed an immersive program in UX design, developing entry-level job readiness.
- Mastered UX research, prototyping, and industry-standard tools like Figma and Adobe XD.
- Executed three hands-on projects, showcasing expertise and earning the prestigious Google UX Design Certificate.

### Envato Tuts+

Online

#### WEB DESIGN COURSE

Jun. 2022 - Jul. 2022

- Completed extensive online Web Design Course on Envato Tuts+, gaining comprehensive knowledge in modern design principles, techniques, and best practices.
- Proficient in creating visually appealing and user-friendly websites, employing effective layouts, typography, color schemes, and responsive design.

## Leadership

### HooHacks Hackathon

Charlottesville, VA

#### FRONT END LEAD

March 2024

- Spearheading the front-end development team for BrainDump, a web application utilizing Gemini AI to generate project ideas from user input.
- Orchestrating and supervising team efforts to enhance design quality and optimize user flow, achieving a 34% improvement in user experience.

### Project Code

Charlottesville, VA

#### FRONT END TEAM LEAD

Sep. 2023 - Dec. 2023

- Leading team efforts to create the front end design of CliniVision, a website that uses machine learning to analyze x-rays for physicians and patients.

## Skills

**TECHNICAL** Java, C, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React JS, React Native, Flask, WordPress, Visual Studio Code, IntelliJ,

**DESIGN** Figma, AdobeXD, Prototyping, User Research, Usability Studies, Case Studies, Design Critique and Feedback, Envato Elements

**SOFT** Leadership, Team Management, Project Oversight, Problem-Solving, Communication, Presentation