# Richard Lechko

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Dedicated and hardworking Junior IT major at DePaul with a concentration in Web Development. I balance rigorous academics with substantial work commitments, maintaining a 3.5 GPA while working 32-40 hours per week. Experienced in software development. Proven ability to manage time effectively and excel in both academic and professional environments.

## EDUCATION

**DePaul University, Chicago, IL |** B.S. in IT (Concentration in Web Development) | Major GPA: 3.5 | Expected June 2026

- **Web Development I & II:** Developed server-side web applications using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript in NodeJS.
- **User-Centered Web Design:** Crafted semantic and concise HTML and CSS code.
- **Interactive Web Scripting:** Applied advanced JavaScript and DOM scripting for dynamic web pages.
- **Server-Side Web Dev:** Developed server-side applications and APIs using ReactJS following MVC architecture principles.

## EXPERIENCE

**Hendrickson |** Woodridge, IL                                                                                          Nov 2024 – Present
**IT Intern**
- Assist in gathering, processing, and reporting data to determine operational metrics and key performance indicators (KPIs).
- Create dashboards using PowerBI for business process owners and support data validation within the ERP data hub.

**RL IT Firm |** Orland Park, IL                                                                                          Dec 2022 – Present
**Frontend Engineer**
- Developed a full-stack application for a local business, enhancing their online presence and functionality.
- Collaborated with the client to gather requirements and ensure the application met their needs.

**Mariano's |** Orland Park, IL                                                                                          May 2022 – Present
**Bakery Clerk**
- Managed 28-32 hours of work per week during the school year, demonstrating time management and dedication.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Frontend:** HTML/CSS/JavaScript, React.js, Tailwind, Figma, ShadCN, Next.js, TypeScript, Redux, and Astro.
- **Backend:** Java, Node.js, ExpressJS, REST APIs, Docker, Supabase, Python, and Flask.
- **Databases:** SQL (MySQL and PostgreSQL).
- **Cloud & Hosting:** AWS (EC2, Amplify), Vercel, Caddy, and Route 53.
- **Version Control & Testing:** Git, Bitbucket, AWS CodeCommit, Microsoft Teams, Jest, and JUnit 5.
- **Open Source Tools:** Linux, Rsync, GNU Emacs, Apache, NGINX, PuTTY, and Wireshark.

## PROJECTS

**Personal Portfolio** | *React, Tailwind, Node.js, Express, and Vercel*
- Built a portfolio website using React, Tailwind CSS, Node.js, and Express to showcase skills and projects.

**Northern Trust x DePaul Hackathon** – 3rd Place | *React, Tailwind, Node.js, Express, and Vercel*
- Built a full-stack site with a currency converter, portfolio simulator, and exchange-rate predictor using an LSTM model.

**Freedom Butchers Project** | *Astro, Tailwind, ShadCN, Figma, Node.js, Express, and Vercel*
- Developed a full-stack application for a local business, enhancing their online presence with responsive design.

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member of **DePaul Computer Science Society**, **DePaul Math Club**, and **DePaul Chess Club**          Sep 2022 – Present
- Member of **DePaul User Experience Association**                                                                          Jan 2024 – Present
- Research Member of **DePaul Cloud Club**                                                                          Oct 2024 – Present
  Collaborating with graduate students on a cloud project, enhancing frontend skills and contributing to innovative solutions.