

## **Raven Mott**

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### **Education:**

Virginia State University | Bachelor of Science | Computer Science | Expected graduation: Spring 2026 | Petersburg, VA | Cumulative GPA: 3.7 | EST University STEM Scholarship | Honors Student | Undergraduate Researcher

### **Technical Skills:**

Programming: Java, R, Python, C++ | Database: SQL | Web Development: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Bootstrap, Flask  
Machine Learning: SVM, Logistic Regression, Decision Tree, K-means Clustering | Data Visualization: Tableau

### **Research**

#### **Virginia State University Nuclear Science Lab**

Support Vector Machine (SVM) for Neutron Event Classification (Real Data) Jan–May 2024(140hrs)

- Developed and optimized an SVM model using real scintillator detector data from the MAME project.
- Achieved ~95% accuracy, with the linear kernel performing best in comparison to other kernels.
- Fine-tuned hyperparameters, maximizing F1-score (0.93) and AUC (0.96).

K-means Clustering for Neutron Data Analysis (Simulated Data) Aug 2024-Present(70hrs)

- Applied K-means clustering to simulated neutron data, improving detection accuracy by 15%.
- Optimized cluster separability using Elbow Method & Silhouette Score ( $k = 3$ , Score: 0.78).
- Visualized clustering results to refine neutron classification.

### **Work Experience**

Data Science for the Public Good. Summer 2024

#### **Faculty Collaboration Dashboard**

- Developed an interactive Shiny dashboard in R to visualize faculty collaboration networks.
- Utilized iGraph for network analysis, Tidyverse for data manipulation, and ggplot2 for visualization.
- Analyzed centrality, community detection, and collaboration patterns to identify interdisciplinary links and funding opportunities.

#### **Urban Heat Island Analysis**

- Conducted a spatial analysis of heat distribution in Petersburg, VA, examining the impact of tree cover, building density, and socioeconomic factors.
- Processed data from satellite imagery, census surveys, and PurpleAir sensors using R.
- Identified a negative correlation ( $R^2 = 0.60$ ) between tree cover and temperature, helping prioritize air monitor placements.
- Delivered actionable recommendations for urban planning and climate mitigation strategies.

### **Personal Project**

AI-Powered Food Navigation Web App (rmot1202.pythonanywhere.com). (20hrs)

- Developed a Flask-based web application with an AI chatbot using OpenAI's GPT-3.5 Turbo.
- Implemented a contact form with SQLAlchemy to store user submissions in an SQLite database.
- Designed a dynamic menu and navigation system using HTML, Flask, and Jinja templates.

### **Leadership/Activities/Extracurriculars**

VSU Tour Guide – Led 50+ campus tours for groups of 4 to 100 people, enhancing prospective student engagement and university outreach.

Apple Pathways (2024) – Completed workshops on resume building, professionalism, advanced algorithms, and software development methodologies.

DEA Mentorship Program (2023) – Developed workplace professionalism, ethical judgment, leadership, and collaboration skills in a technical environment.