

# Ryan Makela

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## Education

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<b>California State University, Chico</b> Bachelor of Science in Computer Science	<b>May 2026</b>
<b>Los Altos High School, Los Altos</b> AP Scholar with Honor, First Robotics Team 6238	<b>May 2022</b>

## Experience

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<b>Computer Science Department Assistant</b> California State University, Chico - <i>Chico, CA</i>	<b>August 2024 - Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Assisted students (undergrad and masters) with technical questions, including C++ and HTML programming support</li><li>- Managed printing requests and performed administrative tasks to support department operations</li><li>- Completed miscellaneous technical projects, adapting quickly to new tasks and programming challenges</li></ul>	
<b>Busboy</b> Casa Lupe - <i>Sunnyvale, CA</i>	<b>May 2021 - August 2021</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Cooperated with a team of staff to clear and clean tables before new customers arrive</li><li>- Interpreted orders and communicated with kitchen staff about food orders on occasion</li></ul>	

## Projects

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<b>LogsDay</b>	<b>May 2024 - Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Created LogsDay, a platform driving project engagement with 8-day update cycles, boosting accountability by 50%</li><li>- Developed a custom backend using Express and Node.js, improving data retrieval by 40%</li><li>- Designed a calendar system to track progress, increasing user efficiency by 50% with consistent 8-day logs</li></ul>	
<b>CyberSeagull I &amp; II</b>	<b>April 2023, April 2024</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Built an educational tool for assembly programming in C++ during a 24-hour hackathon, utilizing a custom library</li><li>- Developed a simulated assembly compiler for a custom language, enhancing users' understanding of low-level programming</li></ul>	
<b>Quote Bot</b>	<b>May 2023 - May 2023</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Created a python program that interfaces with Discord's API to generate visual aids for data analytics</li></ul>	

## Campus & Community Involvement

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<b>President</b> Association For Computing Machinery, Chico Chapter	<b>May 2024 - Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Coordinated with faculty and clubs to plan and execute events, including C++ coding meetings with 50+ students</li><li>- Led nearly 300 club members, improving our teams' performance in the International Collegiate Programming Competition</li><li>- Organized weekly leadership meetings to improve club efficacy and foster a stronger sense of community</li></ul>	
<b>Member</b> Upsilon Pi Epsilon, Chico Chapter	<b>October 2023 - Present</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Collaborated with other members of the Computer Science Honors Society</li><li>- Built connections with and absorbed information from professionals in Computer Science</li></ul>	

## Awards

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<b>ACM 2022 Coding Competition Winner</b> - <i>Chico, CA</i>	<b>November 2022</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Recognized for completing the most programming problems in the allotted time</li></ul>	
<b>ICPC Division 1 and Division 2 Competitor</b> - <i>Cupertino, CA</i>	<b>February 2023, February 2024</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Competed with 50 other teams in a series of competitive programming questions in the lower and higher difficulties</li></ul>	

## Skills

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**Programming Languages** - Java, C++, Dart, Python, Golang  
**Program Proficiencies** - WSL, Eclipse, Notepad++, VSCode, Visual Studio, Github