# Samuel Preston

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#### EDUCATION

## M.S. Computer Science w/ concentration in Software Development

May 2025

Stevens Institute of Technology

## B.S. Business and Technology w/ minors in Computer Science and Information Systems

May 2024

Stevens Institute of Technology

Relevant coursework: Advanced Strategy, Business Law, Corporate Finance, Systems Analysis & Design, Project Management, Logistics & Supply Chain Management, Social Media & Network Analysis, Data Analytics, Agile Methodology for Software Development, Web Programming, Database Management I & II, Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing

## EXPERIENCE

## Tech Consultant - Intern

June 2024 - August 2024

Samsung Data Systems

Ridgefield, NJ

- Created and instructed a 15 module training course on Generative AI Topics ranging from AI Principles to AI Applications for all current and future members of the Strategic Account Management team
- Designed a process map for a client loan origination process to align understandings between the client and the company regarding where Generative AI can be used to increase the processes efficiency
- Analyzed the current system used by IT teams to respond to support emails, creating a 4 stage plan for a Generative AI based system that would result in greater efficiency of support ticket handling and faster response time

#### Operations Analyst - Intern

December 2021 - June 2022

Asset Based Lending LLC

Jersey City, NJ

- Analyzed and processed over 150+ documents weekly for risk management via excel and CRM software, enhancing the organization's ability to identify and mitigate potential financial risks
- Facilitated over \$20 million in real-estate loan sales, boosting loan sales volume involving customers across multiple states
- Created a dashboard using Excel that highlighted 20+ loans over \$1 million in value to analyze current levels of efficiency

## Projects

### AI-Enhanced Tutoring Platform | Python, Javascript, Flask, OpenAI API

January 2025 - May 2025

- Developed a full-stack middleware system that intercepts and rewrites user-AI dialogue to transform passive question answering into critical thinking prompts, enhancing educational engagement
- Designed and implemented a Python-based backend for modifying both user input and LLM output using prompt engineering techniques and NLP filters
- Designed and conducted user testing with 15+ participants, including pre/post surveys and interaction logging, to assess system impact on student learning and reflection

# Reddit Controversy Classification Project | Python, Scikit-learn

January 2025 - May 2025

- $\bullet$  Built a text classification pipeline on 10,000+ Reddit posts and 100,000+ comments to identify controversial content using metadata and linguistic features
- Achieved 0.83 F1-score by training and tuning models (Naive Bayes, XGBoost, Logistic Regression) with cross-validation
- Engineered 12+ features including post/comment sentiment scores, word frequency vectors, and comment depth averages to improve classifier performance

Senior Design Entrepeneurship: Fleco | MERN Stack, Figma, Lucidchart, Github, MS: Office | September 2023 - May 2024

- Created an innovative digital college marketplace platform that empowers students to efficiently list, buy, and sell used items within their community in order to encourage concious consumption and prevent waste
- $\bullet \ \, {\rm Adopted} \ a \ {\rm modular} \ {\rm design} \ {\rm strategy} \ {\rm to} \ {\rm ensure} \ {\rm scalability}, \ {\rm positioning} \ {\rm the} \ {\rm platform} \ {\rm for} \ {\rm growth} \ {\rm as} \ {\rm more} \ {\rm colleges} \ {\rm participate}$
- Conducted a thorough competitive analysis of 5 leading platforms, extracting and integrating 3 key strategies from their business models to enhance our offering

## LEADERSHIP

#### Challenge Level Coordinator | Stevens Institute of Technology

October 2022 - Present

- Served as the instructor for a cohort of 30 students, facilitating their transition to college life through guidance and support
- Enhanced members' experiences by providing resources and mentorship in professional development and academic success
- Cultivated a culture of diligence and collaboration, resulting in measurable improvements in members' personal growth

# SKILLS & INTERESTS

Programming Technologies: HTML5/CSS, Python (Pandas, Numpy, Scikit-Learn), JavaScript (React, Node JS), MongoDB, SQL (MySQL, PostgresSQL)

Software: Git/GitHub, VS Code, Lucidchart, Figma, Jira, MS Office, Canva, Power BI, Tableau, AWS

Interests: Software Design, Creative Design, Computer Building, Reading, Writing, Soccer

Extracurriculars: Club Soccer, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Tutor: Java, Python, Figma, SQL, Lucidchart