# Deven Rahul Shah

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# **EDUCATION**

University at Buffalo

Buffalo, NY

Masters in Data Science

Aug. 2024 - Dec 2025

MIT World Peace University

Pune, IN

B. Tech in Computer Science and Engineering

Nov. 2020 - July 2024

## EXPERIENCE

# Python Developer Intern

Jan. 2024 – June 2024

Markytics

Pune. IN

- Leveraged data analysis to identify performance bottlenecks in Django-based web applications, achieving a 30% reduction in response times.
- Restructured complex SQL statements using data-driven methods, reducing latency and optimizing user experience during peak traffic.
- Collaborated with a team of 3 front-end developers, enhancing interface usability based on post-deployment user metrics.
- Spearheaded implementation of standardized code review checklists, increasing review throughput by 50% within six months.

Skills: Python, Django, SQL, Data Analysis, UX Optimization, Team Collaboration

#### Research Assistant – Graduate Admission Prediction

Mar. 2025 – Present

University at Buffalo

Buffalo, NY

- Led a solo research project under Dr. David Doermann (Chair, Dept. of CSE) to predict graduate admissions using historical applicant data.
- Performed end-to-end data processing, feature engineering with AHP scoring, and model training using Random Forest, Neural Networks, and Gradient Boosting.
- Achieved 74% accuracy through k-fold cross-validation and iterative tuning with Scikit-learn.
- Visualized feature importance and model diagnostics using Python libraries for explainability and reporting.

Skills: Python, Scikit-learn, Pandas, AHP, Machine Learning, Random Forest, Neural Networks, Gradient Boosting, Data Preprocessing, Model Evaluation

#### Projects

## Optimization for Fleet Management using Ant Colony Optimization | Python, Jupyter Notebook

- Developed a capacity-aware routing system for large-scale distribution fleets using Ant Colony Optimization under time and speed constraints.
- Applied Clark-weights cost model to determine optimal truck costs under VRP settings.
- Published findings in IEEE Xplore: https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/10988157

Skills: Optimization, Python, Ant Colony Algorithm, Jupyter, Logistics Modeling

#### Fake Account Detection | Python, Machine Learning

- Trained multiple machine learning models to classify fake social media profiles.
- Applied TFIDF vectorization and preprocessing techniques to improve data quality.
- Achieved 87% model accuracy, outperforming benchmarks from academic literature.
- Published findings in IEEE Xplore: https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/10459570

Skills: Python, TFIDF, Scikit-Learn, ML Classification, Research Paper Writing

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, JavaScript, SQL, HTML, CSS, Salesforce

Frameworks/Tools: Django, Flask, React, Node.js, Jupyter, VS Code, Google Colab

Databases: MSSQL, SQLite, PostgreSQL, MongoDB

Libraries/Other: Scikit-learn, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, TensorFlow, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, NLP,

Tableau, Git, Docker