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**EDUCATION** 

# University of Waterloo

September 2025 - April 2030

Bachelor of Software Engineering - Honours/Co-op, Joint Honours Computing & Optimization

GPA: 3.93/4.0

• Relevant Coursework: Object Oriented Programming, Programming Principles, Embedded Systems, Data Structures

EXPERIENCE

# Machine Learning Engineer

September 2025–Present

WatStreet

Waterloo, ON

- Achieved 96.8% CIFAR-10 accuracy by optimizing PyTorch training; cut training time by 12%.
- Built Monte Carlo (5,000+ paths/contract) option engine; 8% average error vs Black-Scholes benchmarks.
- Built multi-agent U.S. economy simulator; **LLM**-guided Person policies and aggregator A map actions—rates.
- Jointly trained shared policy P(d, s) and A on historical macro signals; enabled differentiable forecasts.

# Founding Engineer

September 2025 – Present

 $Heavy\ Influence$ 

Toronto, ON

- Developing a mobile-first app for creators to schedule and publish videos from a single platform.
- Supporting cross-platform posting across TikTok, Instagram Reels, YouTube Shorts, and Facebook Reels.
- Integrated posting APIs with **OAuth**, enabling **500MB+ uploads** and multiple accounts per platform.
- Built scheduling engine for **365-day publishing** with timezone-aware triggers and caption customization.
- Designed backend using Firebase for user data, account linking, subscription tiers, and scheduled post management.
- Building analytics dashboard to visualize cross-platform metrics like views, likes, and engagement growth.

#### Software Engineering Intern

May 2025 – August 2025

Savi Finance

Toronto, ON

- Launched Social Insights dashboard in React/Redux, rapidly scaling to 1K+ weekly active users in 6 weeks.
- Built Chrome extension to auto-sync checkout data across platforms, cutting manual transaction entry by 90%.
- Engineered GraphQL API with Apollo, achieving 170ms p95 latency while handling 50K+ transactions/month.
- Integrated Coinbase Wallet sync for 1.3K+ accounts, achieving 95.2% automated balance accuracy.
- Implemented tests with **Jest** and **Cypress**, increasing deployment reliability and maintaining **92%** code coverage.

#### PROJECTS

# TradeSmart AI | React, Flask (Python), Random Forest, Chart.js, Firebase

- Built a full-stack trading platform with **React** and **Flask**, enabling real-time stock and trade tracking and simulations.
- Designed dynamic, interactive financial charts using Chart.js and used Firebase for seamless real-time data syncing.
- Improved performance with 24-hour prediction caching, lazy loading, and a responsive glassmorphism UI.
- Implemented Random Forest models using 25+ features to generate 1-year price forecasts with confidence scoring.

## StepGuide | Python, PyTorch, OpenCV, YOLOv11, COCO, Coqui TTS, TensorRT

- Built an assistive wearable using Python, PyTorch, and OpenCV for the visually impaired.
- Enabled 30+ FPS real-time object detection and accurate audible navigation through integrated speech output.
- Trained and deployed a custom YOLOv11 model on COCO, reaching 96% accuracy across 80+ classes.
- Integrated Coqui TTS for continuous, context-aware real-time narration of detected surroundings.
- Optimized inference via  $PyTorch \rightarrow ONNX \rightarrow TensorRT$  pipeline with FP16 precision.
- Achieved 120ms latency on Jetson Orin Nano using parallel GPU acceleration for efficient edge deployment.

# Get "Stuff" Done | React Native, FastAPI, Stripe, Twitter/X API, OpenAI, Gemini, MongoDB

- Developed a full-stack **React Native** + **FastAPI** app that gamifies habit tracking for better accountability.
- Implemented penalties like spam texts, AI calls, donations, and public Twitter/X posts when tasks are missed.
- Built secure payment flows with **Stripe** for auto donations, resolving OAuth and webhook issues for reliable execution.
- Designed MongoDB schema and event-driven backend for habits, penalties, and uploads, ensuring 24/7 operation.
- Leveraged OpenAI & Gemini LLMs with Fetch.ai agents for dynamic text generation and SMS voice prompts.

#### Cryptocurrency Twitter Bot | Python, Tweepy, RegEx

- Developed a **Python** Twitter bot that searches for tweets containing contract addresses of new cryptocurrencies
- Automated data extraction using the **Tweepy** library to help users discover emerging crypto projects.
- Implemented RegEx to filter and validate contract addresses from tweets, streamlining crypto project discovery.

## Dino Game Auto-Jump System | Arduino, C, Ultrasonic Sensor

- Engineered an ultrasonic sensor system to detect object speed and trigger the Dino jump in Google's offline game.
- Programmed the system using Arduino and C, integrating analog sensor data with game controls.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C, C++, Java, JavaScript, Ruby, SQL, HTML, CSS, MATLAB

Frameworks/Libraries: React, React Native, Node.js, Ruby on Rails, GraphQL, Firebase, MongoDB

Tools & Platforms: Git, Linux, Docker, MySQL, Jira, Postman, GTest, Google Cloud