

# ERIC ZHU

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## EDUCATION

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<b>University of Maryland, College Park (UMD)</b> Bachelor of Science, Computer Science Bachelor of Science, Mathematics <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Cumulative GPA: 3.97/4.0</li><li>STEM GPA: 4.0/4.0</li></ul>	Sept 2021 - May 2024
<b>Computer Science Departmental Honors</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Honors research program in computer science</li></ul>	June 2022 - May 2024
<b>University Honors Program</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Honors program offered to distinguished UMD students</li></ul>	Sept 2021 - June 2023
<b>Centennial High School, Ellicott City MD</b> Unweighted GPA: 4.0, Weighted GPA: 4.88 Top 5% of graduating class	Sept 2017 - June 2021

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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<b>UMD Robotics Center, Perception and Robotics Group (PRG)</b> <i>Computer Vision Research Intern</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Developed self-supervised neural network for depth estimation</li><li>Created Lucas Kanade computer vision algorithm for optical flow detection</li><li>Examined applications of machine learning in control theory</li></ul>	College Park, Maryland Feb 2022 - August 2022
<b>UMD School of Computer, Mathematical, and Natural Sciences</b> <i>Machine Learning Research Intern</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Applied kNN and PCA/SVD to analyze dynamical systems</li><li>Worked under distinguished professor Dr. Sharma to model chaotic systems in physics</li></ul>	College Park, Maryland Sept 2021 - Feb 2022
<b>University of Maryland Baltimore (UMB), School of Medicine</b> <i>Data Science and Statistics Intern</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Performed latent class statistical analysis on maternal depression</li><li>Coauthored (second author) a paper accepted by the journal Plos One</li><li>Collected data for project CHAMP, an intervention project to promote a healthy lifestyle among preschoolers in low-income households</li></ul>	Baltimore, Maryland June 2020 - Aug 2020 June 2018 - Aug 2018

## PUBLICATIONS

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<b>PLOS One, Second Author</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Wang Y, Zhu E, Hager ER, Black MM (2022) Maternal depressive symptoms, attendance of sessions and reduction of home safety problems in a randomized toddler safety promotion intervention trial: A latent class analysis. PLoS ONE 17(1): e0261934. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0261934">https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0261934</a></li></ul>	January 2022
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## RELEVANT COURSEWORK

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<b>Math858R / CMSC 752 - Ramsey Theory and Its Applications (A)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Doctoral class about graph theory, combinatorics, and colorings and their applications to computer science</li></ul>	Spring 2022
<b>Math 405 - Linear Algebra (A+)</b>	Spring 2022

- Proof-based linear algebra course on linear algebra from an abstract perspective

#### **CMSC 216 - Computer Systems (A+)**

Spring 2022

- Class about low level programming in C

#### **Math 341H - Multivariable Calculus, Linear Algebra, and Differential Equations II Honors (A+)**

Spring 2022

- Proof-based honors class with a unified approach to all three subjects with an emphasis on ordinary differential equations

#### **Math 340H - Multivariable Calculus, Linear Algebra, and Differential Equations I Honors (A+)**

Fall 2021

- Proof-based honors class with a unified approach to all three subjects
- Dr. Wong taught spectral graph theory the last 5 weeks of the semester

#### **HNUH 258A - Big Data in Agriculture (A+)**

Fall 2021

- University Honors class on using R programming to analyze trends in agriculture
- Did final project on analyzing raster soil moisture data and graphing its effects on Chinese rice production

#### **CMSC 250 - Discrete Mathematics (taken at Howard Community College) (A)**

Spring 2021

- Class about combinatorics and number theory in computer science

### **AWARDS**

#### **American Invitational Math Exam (AIME) qualifier**

March 2019 and March 2020

*Score of 8*

#### **Science Olympiad**

April 2021

*1st place team in Maryland, personally scored 2nd and 4th at states on Machines and Circuit Lab*

#### **FTC Robotics**

March 2021

*3rd in Maryland, qualified for Worlds*

#### **Mathcounts Math Competition**

Feb 2017

*Scored 19th in the state of Maryland in Mathcounts*

#### **USA Computing Olympiad**

Dec 2019

*Silver Division*

#### **National Merit Scholar**

Nov 2019

*Scored top 1% of all PSAT takers in Maryland*

### **ACTIVITIES**

#### **FTC Robotics, Lead Programmer**

Sept 2019 - June 2021

- Led and developed java software for autonomous robotic movement
- FTC team won 3rd in the state of Maryland and qualified for the Worlds / Internationals round of the competition

#### **Math Team, Club Cocaptain**

Sept 2017 - June 2021

- Led and trained a club of 30 high school members
- Team won 1st in the County Math League

#### **Science Olympiad, National Competitor**

Sept 2017 - June 2021

- Team won 1st place in Maryland and 26th place nationally
- Won 2nd and 4th place in Maryland in Circuit Lab and Machines, two events based on Physics Mechanics and E&M

### **PERSONAL PROJECTS**

#### **Online Board Game**

June 2021 - Aug 2021

- Created an online website for a popular card-based board game

- Used Javascript, HTML, and CSS to create an GUI with animations
- Can be accessed on heroku at <https://secret-hitler-project.herokuapp.com/>

### **Coronavirus App**

June 2020 - Sept 2020

- Wrote a coronavirus app to track how long someone was outside their house
- App posts this information into an online database
- This app was verified to work successfully on 5 different iPhones

### **Super Mario Brothers Game in Java**

March 2019 - June 2019

- Wrote from scratch Super Mario Brothers complete with death animations, gravity, and collision detection as Mario moves around the map
- It also features the ability to make its own levels and save the level to a file

## **SKILLS**

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Java, Python, Javascript / CSS / HTML, Node.js, Swift, R, C, latex