# Tom Lam

Computer Science Student | Machine Learning Enthusiast

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## Summary

- Second-year computer science student with a passion for machine learning and computer vision
- Familiar with web development and ML frameworks, e.g. Next.js, React, Django, FastAPI, PyTorch

#### Experience

### Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Sep 2025 – Present

University of Bristol

Bristol, UK

- COMSM1302 Overview of Computer Architecture
- COMS10016 Imperative (C) and Functional (Haskell) Programming

## Perception Team Lead

Nov 2024 – Present

Bristol Formula Student AI, University of Bristol

Bristol, UK

- Trained a custom YOLO model on the FSCOCO dataset to detect traffic cones
- Developed Python scripts for data preprocessing, augmentation, and automated dataset ingestion workflows
- Benchmarked detection performance and contributed evaluation results to the Autonomous Design Report
- Built a 3D cone localization system by integrating YOLO detections with ZED stereo depth in a ROS2 node

## Projects •

## Bristol FSAI Website 2025-2026 | TypeScript, Next.js, Tailwind CSS | 🏶

- Spearheaded the development of the Bristol FSAI website, implementing dynamic content for team rosters, subteams, blog/news posts and events, along with reusable APIs for content retrieval
- Managed the full development cycle including local setup, development and production builds, static assets management, and deployed the site on Vercel for production.

ChronoChat | Python, Next.js, Tailwind, TypeScript, FastAPI, ChromaDB, Ollama, Whisper, CLIP, BLIP | \cappa

- Built a multi-modal RAG system that enables querying over YouTube and local videos using audio and caption
- Developed a full-stack AI application with a FastAPI backend and Next.js frontend, featuring real-time WebSocket chat and PDF/image support
- Integrated Ollama-powered local LLMs for reasoning, retrieval mode selection, and multi-video chat support with streaming markdown-formatted responses.

EcoSim | Best ML Project — Brishack 2025 | Java, JavaFX | 📢

- Developed an ecosystem simulator modeling animal hunting, fleeing and breeding behaviors in a group of 6.
- Featured procedural terrain generation with Perlin noise and predator-prey dynamics using Monte Carlo Tree Search (MCTS).
- Implemented a real-time graphical interface with event logging and population statistics using JavaFX.

#### EDUCATION

## University of Bristol

Bristol, UK

B.Sc. Computer Science — Y1 Grade: First Class (81%)

Sep 2024 - Present

- Computer Architecture 81% | Imperative & Functional Programming 86% | Maths A (Discrete Maths) 52%
- Maths B (Linear Algebra) 95% | OOP & Algorithms 90% | Software Tools 83%

#### University of Warwick

Coventry, UK

International Foundation Programme in Computer Science — Grade: Distinction (92%)

Sep 2023 - Jun 2024

#### Awards & Honors

#### Netcraft Prize

Top 10 First Year CS student at the University of Bristol 2024-2025

#### SKILLS

Programming languages: Python, TypeScript, C, Java, Haskell

Frameworks: Next.js, React, Django, Tailwind CSS, Matplotlib, NumPy, Pandas, PyTorch, Scikit-learn, OpenCV

Languages: English, Cantonese, Mandarin