# Vishal Kolla

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#### **FDUCATION**

# **Purdue University,** West Lafayette — CS Major (August 2019–May 2023)

Aiming for a degree in CS with tracks in Machine Learning and Cybersecurity, along with a minor in Business Management and Psychology and an Entrepreneurship Certificate.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# **Oppfi**, Incoming SRE Intern

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# Dell RSA Division, Senior Analyst (January 2020-August 2021)

- Worked with a team to take down various phishing and brand abuse attacks against major banking systems across the world
- Managed to become an advanced analyst after completing my qualification and worked against malware attacks
- Worked with and developed python scripts to automate many of the company's tasks which reduced many of our handled attack times to below 12 hours (industry bar)
- Became a shift manager where I handled giving out tasks to others in my team and oversaw the transfer of responsibilities to the next SMs
- Helped train 20 new interns on tasks and responsibilities

## **TechMojo**, SD Internship (Summer 2018)

- Shadowed and got training from a software developer
- Later, I worked on Amazon ROKA implementation through RESTful API web services in Java

## **SIGAI**, Team Leader (Winter 2020-Present)

- Handled a group of 8 that worked on introductory python projects
- Taught new recruits the basics of Python/Machine Learning by using active demos and creating simple assignments
- Helped recruit new members to the club

# **PROJECTS**

**Stock Prediction Program:** Utilized LSTMs to forecast 30 days of stock prices for any stock inputted by training/validating on 5 years of the stock's previous data. In addition, I implemented a sentiment analysis aspect to the program where I take a specific stock ticker and find how the market generally views the stock using the Afinn API.

**Portfolio Website:** I created a website hosted by Github Pages and created in HTML to show off my experience, skills, and resume. This website's template was provided by HTML5 UP.

**Memory Game Program:** Simulated a memory game using Java with multiple levels of difficulty for players with different levels of expertise. The program was published and played over 12 times.

#### **SKILLS**

Proficient in Java, Python Worked with C, C++, R, Lex, SQL, and Yacc before

### **AWARDS**

National Merit Scholar: Given to students who have a PSAT score in the top 1.25% to 3% of all juniors across the United States (My score: 1500/1520)

## **COURSES**

Problem Solving and
Object-Oriented
Programming
Computer Architecture
Data Structures
Multivariate Calculus
Data Mining and Machine
Learning
Systems Programming
Intro. Analysis of Algorithms
Introduction to Cryptography
Information Systems
Intro. to Artificial Intelligence

### **LANGUAGES**

Primary language: English Secondary Language: Telugu Learning French as well

#### **Activities**

Member of Purdue Hackers 3x Varsity Swimmer and part of swim Leadership Group 3x Track and Field Varsity Hurdler

#### **Certificates:**

Working towards an AWS Solutions Architect