# **Zen Edwards**

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### **EDUCATION**

Brandeis University Aug '22 - May '26

B.Sc. in Computer Science | GPA: 3.7

Awards: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Fellow, Deans List '22-Present

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms | Programming in Java | Discrete Structures | Natural Language Processing | Statistics | Information Visualization | Machine Learning | Operating Systems | Human Computer Interaction

### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- Programming Languages: Java, Python, SQL, HTML, JavaScript, TypeScript, CSS, Swift, C++, R
- Tools/Frameworks: Pandas, Scikit-learn, NumPY, Node.js, React, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Visual Studio, Linux, Unix, Eclipse, Tableau, Google Cloud, PyCharm, Jupyter Notebook, AWS, MySQL
- Machine Learning & AI: Deep Learning, Statistical Modeling, Large Language Models, Distributed Systems, Optimization, Concurrent Programming

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Brandeis University Mar '23 - Present

Software Support Assistant | Waltham, MA

- Resolved 35+ technical support tickets weekly, troubleshooting hardware, software, and application issues by effectively
  communicating technical information to students and faculty.
- Configured and maintained over 50 **Linux and Windows machines**, improving boot and processing speeds by 20% via custom **OS tuning** and software updates.
- Drafted step-by-step documentation for common issues, reducing repeat support tickets by 15% and improving Tier 1 team onboarding.

Accenture Aug '24 - May '25

Software Development Intern | Boston, MA

- Composed 10+ interactive visualizations using **JavaScript, HTML/CSS, and Plotly** to support decision-making and align data narratives with organizational goals.
- Created **NLP models** using **spaCy, OpenAI**, and **data science** techniques to annotate articles and measure performance effectiveness, achieving a 30% improvement in analytical accuracy.
- Wrote 30+ unit and integration tests, increasing system reliability and catching 85% of edge-case bugs before deployment.

# Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Jan '24 - Jul '24

Research Assistant | Cambridge, MA

- Generated and streamlined **end-to-end data analysis pipelines**, employing advanced machine learning algorithms and deep learning frameworks for training and validation, resulting in a 15%+ improvement in predictive accuracy.
- Conducted exploratory **data analysis** across datasets, improving **feature selection** efficiency by 25%, leading to a 15% boost in model performance.
- Utilized **precision, recall, and F1-score** metrics to validate models, improving model precision by 10% and ensuring continuous iteration for optimal performance.

#### **PROJECTS**

#### Renewable Energy Usage v. Electricity Access

Oct '24 - Dec '24

• Conceptualized and implemented an **interactive data visualization** dashboard, analyzing over 10,000 data points to reveal trends in renewable energy usage and electricity access.

## **Tech-News Summarization Engine**

Sep '24 - Dec '24

Analyzed over 50,000 technology news articles to construct knowledge graphs, uncovering trends and insights across 100+
industries.

### **Predicting Airbnb Availability**

May '24 - Jul '24

Developed a machine learning model to predict Airbnb listing availability with over 85% accuracy by leveraging feature engineering and supervised learning techniques.