

# AAKASH SHAH

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## EDUCATION

**THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, School of Engineering & Applied Sciences** **Washington, DC**  
**Master of Science, Computer Science (GPA – 3.55/4.0)** *May 2018*

- **Areas of focus:** Machine learning and cognition, Core **Natural Language Understanding** along with specialized **IBM Watson** Question-Answering system architecture. Artificial Intelligence, **Probability for computer science**.
- Awarded **Tuition Fellowship** of \$20,000 from the University and department.

**SRM UNIVERSITY** **Chennai, India**  
**Bachelor of Technology, Computer Science & Engineering (GPA – 3.3/4.0)** *June 2015*

- **Areas of focus:** Databases, Compiler Design, **Theory of computation**, Principles of programming languages, Object oriented programming, **Logic and discrete structures**, Android programming, Data mining.
- Co-Convener of Student association and Quiz Club.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** Java(J2SE), Python, C, C++, Javascript, PHP, SQL, HTML, CSS, MATLAB, Common LISP

**NLP:** NLTK, Stanford NLP, Regex, IBM Watson Bluemix services, Weka (Data Mining), and TensorFlow.

**Web Development Frameworks:** React.js & AngularJS, Spring, PHP Yii.

**Database Tools:** OracleSQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB.

**Operating Systems:** OS X, Linux (Ubuntu, RedHat & Arch Linux), Windows.

**Other Skills:** RESTful Web Services, OO Design Patterns, MVC Architecture, Microservice Architecture, Python Automation Scripts for AWS and Azure.

## RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

**TIC Summer Camp, Programming Counselor** *July 2017 – August 2017*

- Tutored **Functional Programming Language** to kids from age 6 - 16.
- Helped to develop games and tutorials for **Microworlds EX**.

**GWU Psychology Dept., Research Assistant** *May 2017 – present*

- Developed a psychometric(2AFC) test using **React JS**
- Redesigned **Quest** (MATLAB tool and a part of Psychtoolbox) in JS.
- Server load balancing for AWS. Project URL: <https://sentien.tech>

**GWU Computer Science Dept., Tutoring Assistant** *September 2016 – present*

- Explain key concepts of **algorithms, data structures** etc. to undergraduate students.
- Assisted with assignments in regular hours and problem solving before exams.

**Encircle.io, Software Developer.** *August 2015 – May 2016*

- Successfully finished my research in commercial beacon technology and Wi-Fi triangulation
- Built a robust, highly scalable IoT platform in **Java**, deployed on **AWS**
- Worked on **Spring Framework & AngularJS** and also customized Wi-Fi routers with OpenWRT.

**Unisys Corp, Software Architect Intern.** *January 2015 – June 2015*

- Contributed to the revamping of the existing platform – Unisys Secure Family Net(USFN)
- Charted rules in **Drools** and implemented the business logic.

**Pixellete, Head of Operations.** *April 2013 – December 2014*

- Led a team of 5 developers and designers in this university incubated firm.
- Developed scalable web apps using **Yii (PHP framework)** and **SQL**.

## KEY PROJECTS

**Athena, Watson Developer Cloud.** *January 2017 – May 2017*

- Worked on a **Natural Language Classifier** for author identification using TensorFlow.
- Used off-the-shelf resources for **Arabic parsing** and compared results with Watson services.
- Python based algorithm implementation of **Backus Naur form** for a Grammatical Lexical Analyser.

## AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

**International Student Ambassador GWU**, Winner in **SESCON14 Hackathon**, Winner in Blitzkrieg **Concept Design**,  
**National Cyber Olympiad 2010** – All India Rank 57, All India **Astronomy Olympiad 2010** -- Top 1% in State