

# Aakriti Poudel

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## Profile

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Highly motivated and technically skilled Computer Engineering fourth-year undergraduate with a strong academic track record. Passionate about building real-world solutions using cutting-edge technologies in AI/ML, software development, and robotics. Experienced in deploying deep learning models, developing full-stack applications, and working on innovative projects.

## Education

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**Kathmandu University**, BE in Computer Engineering Feb 2022 – Feb 2026

- GPA: 3.9/4.0 (till now)
- **Relevant Coursework:** AI, Data Mining, Database Management Systems, Probability & Statistics, Data Structures & Algorithms, Software Engineering

## Projects

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### MediQuery: Healthcare RAG System

- Built a retrieval-augmented generation (RAG) pipeline using Llama2 and LangChain to answer medical queries from WHO datasets. Fine-tuned embeddings with sentence-transformers and deployed a Flask API for inference.
- Tools Used: LLM, RAG

### Transformer based next-word predictor with XAI

- Developed a custom Transformer model for next-word prediction using a self-curated dataset from ArXiv and Project Gutenberg. Implemented Linear SHAP for model interpretability, providing token-level explanations.
- Tools Used: Python, PyTorch, NLP, SentencePiece

### PatchIt: Pothole Management System

- Trained a YOLOv8 model to detect potholes from live ESP32-CAM feeds, integrated with a web dashboard for municipal authorities.
- Tools Used: React, Node.js, Machine Learning, Esp32

### Swarm Robotics: Search operation during disasters

- Designed a multi-agent robotic system using ESP32, motor drivers, and ultrasonic sensors for search and rescue operations. Implemented swarm communication via MQTT and incorporated a camera module for target detection and obstacle avoidance.
- Tools Used: Computer Vision, CoppeliaSim, IOT, ESP32, MQTT

### Sign AI

- Developed a YOLOv5 model to classify 25+ ASL gestures in real-time using React for the front-end and Python for ML inference.  
Award: Education Category Winner, KU HackFest 2023 – Nepal's largest in-person hackathon.
- Tools Used: React, Node.js, Machine Learning

## Leadership & Involvement

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**Microsoft Learn Student Ambassador** 2023 - Present

- Actively engaged in promoting technical learning and organizing workshops for peers.

**Organizing Committee, KU HackFest** 2022 and 2024

- Contributed to the planning and execution of Nepal's largest in-person hackathon.

## **Member of IEEE KU-Student Branch**

2023 - Present

- Collaborating on initiatives to promote research and professional development in engineering.

## **Awards and Certification**

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**Associate Data Scientist -Data camp** : DataCamp

**KU Hackfest - 2023** : Winner of the Education Category

**Supervised Machine Learning by Andrew Ng** : Coursera

**Intro to Statistics by Stanford** : Coursera

## **Skills**

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**Languages:** Python, SQL, C, C++ , Java, Dart, JavaScript

**Databases Querying:** PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Firebase

**AI/ML:** TensorFlow, PyTorch, Scikit-learn, YOLO, Data Wrangling, Predictive Modeling, LLM

**Web/Mobile Development:** React, Node.js, Flutter, REST APIs

**Tools and Technologies:** Git, VS Code, Unity