ADITI THANEKAR

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EDUCATION

University of California, Riverside - Computer Science Bachelor of Science(June 2025) + Masters of Science(2026) Relevant Courses: Data Structures and Algorithms, Intro to AI, Discrete Structures, Computer Architecture

EXPERIENCE

Computing-NIF Intern - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory

June 2024 - Present

- Developed "macro" component feature for VBL++ laser simulation interface using C++
- Worked closely with physicists to ensure the software met their functional requirements and scientific specifications.
- Wrote documentation and training materials in LaTex for users to learn to use the new component
- Attended seminars to understand the mechanics of NIF laser relevant to project, as well as parallel computing

Chief Grader - Data Structures and Algorithms (CS010C)

April 2023 - Present

(github.com/aditithanekar/Canvas-LMS-Web-Scraper)

- Managed gradebook for 250+ students across 3 sections, and delegated tasks to ensure a timely release of grades
- Developed Python(pandas, regex) program to map students' scores to gradebook, increasing input efficiency >80%
- Holds in-person demo hours 3 times a week, alongside Professor to assess student's understanding of the code
- Grades C++ code quality to judge the strengths and weaknesses of students' code

PROJECTS

Personal Portfolio Website (aditithanekar.github.io)

June 2021 - Present

- I planned and designed all the scalable vector graphic assets in Adobe Illustrator and created a wireframe in Figma
- Constructed a website using HTML, CSS, with GSAP animations and hover effects, hosted through GitHub Pages

Hackathon Website - ACM Software Development Team

July 2023- October 2023

(github.com/acm-ucr/hackathon-website)

- I expanded the functionality and front end for a NextJS and TailwindCSS website to be repurposed for hackathons
- Worked with 15+ team members in a GitHub repo with a continuous integration workflow, and weekly meetings

My Favorite Story(a role-play game) (github.com/aditithanekar/My-Favorite-Story)

June 2023

- I implemented classes, tests, backend, and frontend of game in C++, debugging using Valgrind and GoogleTest
- I hosted scrum meetings, completed sprints each week, and delegated tasks on a Kanban board with a team of 4

Cutie Hack 2022- "Cutie Saves The World"

November 2022

- Designed assets and backgrounds with PixilArt, and implemented player menu in C# and Unity for a platformer game
- I collaborated with a team of 4 others, and we were awarded 2nd Place Overall

RESEARCH & RECOGNITION

UCR Programming Challenge Ada Award Winner (Highest Scoring Female for Undergraduate)

October 2023

Bioinformatic Researcher; Aspiring Scholars Directed Research Program

June 2021 - November 2021

- Implemented a program to normalize data and order by p-value to find significantly expressed genes in R
- Created dot plots and gene-set enrichment maps, and found a pattern in change in taste perception phenotype
- Led meetings alongside an advisor to interpret plot data and debug code
- Presented at Global Alliance for Genomics and Health 9th Plenary Meeting and SCCUR

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Girls Who Code Club President, Main Hackathon Organizer, Washington High School September 2020 - June 2022

- Created lesson plans and taught web development meetings to over 25 members using HTML, CSS and Figma
- Organized and emceed a school-wide hackathon for online (2021) and in-person (2022) and mentored groups

Wind Ensemble Percussion Section Leader/Marching Band Drum Captain, Washington High School 2018 - 2022

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND INVOLVEMENT - UC Riverside

Association for Computing Machinery(ACM), Society of Women Engineers(SWE), UCR Salsa Club

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Software and Tools: Adobe Illustrator, Figma, Github, Autodesk Maya, VSCode, GTest, SolidWorks(CAD), LC3 **Languages:** C++, Python, Java, R, HTML, CSS, C#/Unity, Swift