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Education

University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign Expected: May 2027

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Statistics *GPA: 4.00*

Relevant Coursework: System Programming, Distributed Systems, Advanced Bayesian Analysis, Numerical Methods I, Intro to Algorithms and Models of Computation, Data Structures, Computer Architecture, Probability & Statistics for Computer Science, Discrete Structures, Multivariable Calculus, Computational Linear Algebra

Experience

Handshake AI Sep. 2025 – Present

Handshake AI MOVE Fellow *Remote*

Molex LLC May 2025 – Aug. 2025

Supply Chain Software Engineer Intern *Lisle, IL*

- Led testing and development of Infor's AI/ML resolution engine during its beta launch, recommending proactive solutions for 10,000+ stockout inventory risks and generating over $2.6M in value by the end of the internship
- Utilized SAP and Infor Nexus to analyze multi-grain datasets, driving insights for strategic supply chain decisions focusing on last-mile delivery strategies
- Designed and executed SQL and Excel queries on MRP systems to report and track key performance indicators
- Produced multiple training documents and videos to facilitate cross-team knowledge sharing for 100+ users, contributing to a 200%+ growth in active usage during the beta phase

Quant at Illinois Aug. 2024 – Present

Quantitative Trading Analyst *Champaign, IL*

- Researched historical market data and trading strategies to identify emerging opportunities
- Developed and backtested pairs trading and momentum-based strategies using C++ and Python

Northwestern University May 2023 – Oct. 2023

Research Assistant *Evanston, IL*

- Developed and executed bash scripts in Unix to automate CUDA simulations of superconductor configurations, accelerating research workflow by 60%
- Designed data pipelines in Python, using Matplotlib and NumPy for visualization and analysis of results
- Authored detailed technical reports and presented research findings at a university symposium

Projects

NBA Sports Betting Models | *Python, SQL* Dec. 2024 – Present

- Engineered a data acquisition process using requests, pandas, and selenium to scrape player statistics from NBA.com and betting odds from sportsbooks into a SQLite database
- Developed and implemented a data pipeline to clean, structure, and preprocess raw data
- Applied statistical and machine learning models such as mean-variance analysis, ARIMA, and TensorFlow-based models to predict player performance and betting outcomes, achieving a simulated 14% ROI over the 2025 playoffs

Personal Website | *SQL, PHP, HTML, CSS* Aug. 2024 – Present

- Designed a secure user authentication system with SQL and PHP, ensuring efficient data management
- Developed a responsive, card-based website, ensuring seamless performance and cross-platform responsiveness
- Integrated backend and frontend components to deliver a full-stack website, providing dynamic content display

MathWorks Math Modeling Challenge | *Python, MATLAB* Feb. 2023 – Mar. 2024

- Implemented an agent-based model and used Fourier transforms to simulate and forecast homelessness trends
- Developed a Random Forest model to recommend solutions, simulated reducing homelessness by 16% over 50 years
- Awarded Honorable Mention in Technical Computing: *top 5 out of 655*

Awards & Honors

Chancellor's Scholar: Campus Honors Program: *150 students selected per cohort* *2024 – Present*

AIME Qualifier 2x: American Invitational Mathematics Examination, Math Olympiad: *Top 5000 in US* *2023–2024*

NAC Qualifier: National Astronomy Competition, Astronomy Olympiad: *Top 100 in US* *2023*

Technical Skills

Languages: C, C++, C#, Java, Python, SQL, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, R, PHP, bash, Typescript

Frameworks and Libraries: React, Tailwind, Pandas, NumPy, MatPlotLib, TensorFlow, sockets (Python), requests

Developer Tools: Git, Docker, VS Code, Visual Studio, Anaconda, Unix/Linux, Jupyter Notebook, Excel, EveryAngle