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### Education

## **George Mason University – Honors College**

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

**Relevant Coursework:** Data Structures and Algorithms (Java), Object Oriented Programming (Java), Low-level Programming (C), Quantum Algorithms, Formal Methods and Models, Linear Algebra, Numerical Analysis.

## Skills

**Languages:** Python, Java, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, C, C++, R (introductory)

Technologies: Linux, Git, React, Next.js, Firebase, Node.js, JUnit, Secure Shell, Remote Machinery

# Experience

Headstarter AI Remote

Software Engineering Fellow

July 2024 - Active

GPA: 3.94/4.00

**Expected Graduation: May 2025** 

- Building 5+ AI apps and API's using NextJS, OpenAI, Pinecone, StripeAPI with 98% accuracy as seen by 1000 users
- Developing projects from design to deployment leading 3 engineering fellows using MVC design pattern
- Coached by Amazon, Bloomberg and Capital One engineers on Agile, CI/CD, Git and microservice patterns

CloudStation Los Angeles, CA
Webmaster May 2024 – Active

- Engineered fully functional website for CloudStation using React.js, HTML, CSS, and JavaScript
  - Features comprehensive forms to allow for business inquiries and other interests between client and vendors
  - Over 1000 visits by venue owners/managers, business owners and potential clients. https://www.cloudstationusa.com/

#### **George Mason University**

Fairfax, VA

Computer Science Teaching Assistant

January 2023 – Active

- Worked/working as teaching assistant for <u>CS310 (Data Structures and Algorithms, Java)</u>, CS211 (Object-Oriented Programming, Java) and CS112 (Introduction to Computer Programming, Python)
- Answered student questions on projects and miscellaneous questions on online forum (Piazza), assisted students with lab
  assignments during lab periods, proctored tests for all courses
- Aided over 3000 George Mason computer science students in total time as teaching assistant

### Rise Up Kenya

Salgaa, Kenya

Website Administrator

**December 2023 - Active** 

- Constructed website (hosted via shopify) for donations for the community in Salgaa, Kenya.
- Currently working on fully transferring donations and server profiles off of shopify onto independent platform
- Raised \$7000+ (Increasing monthly) for those in need, located in Salgaa, Kenya; See more riseupkenya.org

# **Projects**

Pantry Tracker

**July 2024** 

- Built a Next.js web app holding 100+ users to track a users pantry inventory based on user requests sent to firebase database
- Leverages OpenAI's GPT 40 mini model to classify images of pantry items and generate recipes based on a user's inventory
- Frontend built with Next.js + React, Backend features JS, OpenAI API, Unsplash API and the Clerk API; hosted on Vercel

#### **Sorting Algorithm Visualizer**

March 2024

- Created a React UI/UX to visualize sorting algorithms such as: merge sort, quick sort, heap sort, and bubble sort
- Implemented primarily using React and JavaScript as well as HTML and CSS, hosted via GitHub Pages
- Holds 200+ users composed of fellow George Mason University students from Data Structures and Algorithms course

## Awards/Certifications

Honors College Dean's List: Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023

Johns Hopkins University: HTML, CSS, and Javascript for Web Developers