# Tyler Amalfa

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## Summary

Motivated and versatile recent engineering graduate with dual degrees in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from Rutgers University. Experienced in software development, computer vision, and AI, with a strong foundation in hands-on projects and technical problem-solving.

# Skills & Interests

Skills: Python, Java, MATLAB, C, C++, Git, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Robotics

Interests: Skateboarding, Films and Filmmaking, Creative Writing

## EDUCATION

#### **Rutgers University**

New Brunswick, NJ

BS Electrical Engineering, Minor in Creative Writing GPA: 3.76

September 2021 - May 2025

BS Computer Science

#### Work Experience

#### Mutual of America

New York, NY

June

Information Security Intern

June 2023 - August 2023

- Automated InfoSec Processes using Java, reducing time spent by  $\sim 50\%$  weekly, deployed application to company server.
- Collected critical data from hundreds of company servers to help upper management build disaster recovery plan.

# Rutgers University

New Brunswick, NJ

School of Engineering Student Tutor

January 2023 - May 2025

- Tutored 30+ students in EE/CS courses, with >85% reporting improved exam performance.
- Provided critical last minute support to students during midterm and final exam periods

## Freehold Township Recreation

Freehold, NJ

Summer Camp Counselor

June 2017 - August 2022

• Supervised and led daily activities for 70+ children (K-6), resolving behavioral challenges and coordinating with parents and administrators over 6 summers.

# Projects

## Synchronous ASL Translator (SASLT) Python, OpenCV, MediaPipe

A live video translator for American Sign Language finger spelling, using a fully connected neural network to convert hand landmarks to letters. Features text to speech for completed words.

#### Chess AI Java, Alpha-Beta Pruning

Developed a version of Chess by programming all moves and pieces, and then programmed a "bot" capable of playing the game by choosing optimal moves, currently capable of beating novice to intermediate players.

## Wordle Solver Java, Selenium

Capable of solving 95% of Wordle puzzles in  $\leq 4$  guesses using Selenium-based automation.

# Snake Bot Java, JavaFX, A\* Algorithim

Built the classic game Snake, as well as wrote a "bot" capable of playing as a snake and navigating the board to find "food."

### Sudoku Solver Java, OpenCV

Compiled my own Sudoku solving algorithm by researching common solving techniques. Developed into an application capable of scanning and solving puzzles of different sizes.

## AWARDS & HONORS

## Summa Cum Laude

Rutgers University

Graduated with two degrees with a highest honors distinction.

#### Dean's List

Rutgers University

Received Dean's List recognition every semester of undergraduate.

## Advanced Creative Writing Seminar

Rutgers University

One of five students and five professors selected for prestigious writing workshop with renowned writer and distinguished professor Joyce Carol Oates.