ANNIA MATTHEWS

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EDUCATION

Howard University | B.S. in Computer Science, expected May 2024

Washington, D.C.

Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Python Programming, Object-Oriented Programming, Applied Data Science, UX Design, Cybersecurity, Database Management, Software Engineering

WORK EXPERIENCE

Reddit, Inc. | Software Engineering Intern

Summer 2023

- Used TypeScript and the Reddit API to build a raffler application for subreddits that randomly selects a winner from comments under a post, providing an innovative solution to facilitate giveaways and contests
- Utilized React JSX to craft a responsive custom post component, enhancing the readability of AMA ("Ask Me Anything") posts by showcasing up to 1000 answered questions in a responsive and user-friendly format

Natural Hazards Engineering Research Infrastructure | Research Assistant

Summer 2021

- Worked with mentors from UCLA and UT Austin 4 times a week to develop an algorithm on Jupyter notebooks that estimates ground motion intensity at 600 earthquake-induced soil liquefaction sites
- Used SQL to query quantitative information from 100% of the sites in the Next Generation Liquefaction Database to statistically back our research

PROJECTS

Yardhack at the Black Blockchain Summit

September 2022

- Won 1st place out of 3 teams at a hackathon by working with 2 colleagues to develop and pitch a high-level system design for a mobile NFT marketplace targeted towards reducing the likeliness of fraud occurrence within the art industry by 50%
- Enhanced my knowledge of Blockchain/Web3.0 related concepts by performing a comparative analysis on CPU/GPU mining and proof-of-work/proof-of-stake, respectively

Dijkstra's Algorithm Implementation

November 2022

- Enhanced my knowledge of iterative algorithmic processes by implementing Dijkstra's Algorithm in C++ to optimize the path taken between 2 coordinate points by 100%
- Utilized the priority queue/min heap data structure to keep record of the shortest distance between any 2 graph indexes throughout the process

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Howard University Tech 4 Change Club | Project Lead

January-May 2023

- Hosted and organized various technical and non-technical events in partnership with at least 3 on-campus organizations each semester
- Made financial vision for the organization, reducing both event and promotional item costs by 20%

ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

Activities: Howard Bisonettes Dance Ensemble ('22-'23), Howard Chapter Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers ('22-'23), MLT Turn Pro ('23)

Awards: Howard University Capstone Scholar ('20-'23), Brivo NextGen Scholar ('22), Splunk HBCU Scholarship Recipient ('23)

SKILLS

Technical: Python, C/C++, JavaScript, MySQL, Git, Figma, TypeScript, NodeJS, React JSX

Soft: Written/Oral Communication, Problem Solving, Team Building, Adaptability