

# Arav Watwani

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## EDUCATION

**University of California, Berkeley**  
*B.A. Computer Science*

**Graduation** May 2023  
GPA: 3.65

## EXPERIENCE

### LPL Financial

*Software Engineering Intern*

San Diego, CA  
*Jun. 2021 - Present*

- Working in LPL Business Solutions (LBS), which helps support contact center and CRM systems for advisors
- Creating a full-stack search dashboard with React and Node.js to help save advisors time in looking up client data
- Leveraging Apollo and GraphQL to query data at 2x the speed of searching on our cloud contact center software

### UC Berkeley, Department of EECS

*Teaching Assistant*

Berkeley, CA  
*Jan. 2021 - Present*

- Working to best assist roughly 2,000 students by teaching weekly discussion sections in CS 61A: Intro to CS
- Answered conceptual questions about Python, Scheme, and SQL to make students' introduction to CS comfortable
- Improved students' understanding of programming fundamentals by delivering problem-solving tips and techniques

### UC Berkeley, Haas School of Business

*Data Scientist, Research Assistant*

Berkeley, CA  
*Sept. 2020 - May 2021*

- Built a robust data pipeline in Pandas to help researchers visualize discrepancies in data, saving 5+ hours weekly
- Refactored old Stata scripts to Python to enhance data processing speed, optimizing the 20-member lab's workflow

## PROJECTS

### SWE Daily Digest | Twilio API, Python, Pandas, BeautifulSoup

[github.com/aravwatwani/daily-swe](https://github.com/aravwatwani/daily-swe)

- Created a bot that sends users notifications of new software engineering job postings, saving lookup time
- Leveraged Twilio's REST API for Python to SMS users, and BeautifulSoup to scrape web data on job postings online
- Parsed data into usable format with Pandas, and automated the script with cron to send notifications daily

### Gitlet | Java

Private Repository (Class Project)

- Designed a versioning system to replicate Git's core functionality, implementing branching, merging, commits, etc.
- Wrote breadth-first search algorithm to detect split points in commit history, allowing for correct branch merging

### COVID-19 Case Visualizer | D3.js, HTML, jQuery

[github.com/aravwatwani/covid](https://github.com/aravwatwani/covid)

- Built an interactive visualization of the COVID-19 pandemic to easily comprehend nationwide health situation
- Designed and implemented drag-force physics to create interactive bubbles for each state, enhancing user appeal

## HONORS

**Greylock Partners**, Greylock Annual Techfair Admit

July 2021

**Lyft**, Software Engineering Early Talent Access Program Participant

June 2021

**Goldman Sachs**, Summer Insight Series Admit

May 2021

**National Merit Scholarship Corporation**, Finalist and Corporate Scholarship Recipient

April 2020

## SKILLS

**Languages:** Java, Python, HTML/CSS, SQL, Scheme, TypeScript, GraphQL

**Tools:** React, NumPy, Pandas, JUnit, Git, Unix, Docker, Flask, Node.js