Ayan Zia

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Honors Computer Science and Data Science student at Rutgers University with hands-on experience in mobile development, seeking software engineering opportunities to drive innovation through technology

EDUCATION

Rutgers University - Honors

B.S. in Computer Science & Data Science

GPA: 4.0/4.0, Dean's List

Related Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms, Linear Algebra, Discrete Structures I, Computer Architecture

EXPERIENCE

Erickson Senior Living

New Providence, New Jersey

New Brunswick, New Jersey

Expected Graduation: May 2027

Student Server

Jul 2023 - Present

- Managed everyday restaurant operations, serving 100+ residents daily while training new employees to ensure smooth service
- Consistently received positive feedback from management and residents for efficiency and customer service

PROJECTS

Messenger

Aug 2024 – Present

- Engineered a real-time iOS messaging app with Firebase, enabling translation across 10+ languages via Google ML Kit
- Implemented secure Google sign-in authentication, improving accessibility and user security

Daily Vocabulary Trainer

Jan 2020 - Jul 2023

- Launched an iOS vocabulary app with 2,000+ downloads and a 4.9/5 rating, improving language learning accessibility
- Implemented flashcards, multiple-choice, and spelling challenges, catering to diverse learning styles

Fitness Trainer

Dec 2024 - Feb 2025

- Developed an Al-powered fitness application using OpenCV and NumPy to provide real-time squat form corrections
- Engineered a live posture analysis system, enhancing user performance and reducing injury risk

Robotics Scouting Application

Nov 2023 - Jan 2024

- Developed an Android app in Kotlin for scouting robotics teams, streamlining team profile access in NJ competitions
- Designed an interactive team directory featuring logos, names, and locations for improved usability

Monkey Jump

Apr 2024 - Jun 2024

- Built an endless runner game in Godot with procedurally generated obstacles, enhancing replayability
- Engineered a physics-based movement system with realistic gravity and collision detection for smoother gameplay

Pomodoro Timer

Feb 2025 - Mar 2025

- Developed a web-based Pomodoro timer using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript, enhancing time management efficiency
- Designed an intuitive UI with customizable task entry, improving user engagement and productivity

ACTIVITIES

Future Business Leaders of America

Scotch Plains, New Jersey

State and National Level Competitor

Dec 2021 - Mar 2024

- Led a 3-member team to consecutive first-place state championships (2022, 2023), advancing to national finals
- Delivered award-winning business presentations, demonstrating analytical and public speaking excellence

NP Intergenerational Club

New Providence, New Jersey

Community Service Volunteer

Nov 2021 – Dec 2023

- Organized community outreach programs, providing seniors with technical assistance and home maintenance support
- Facilitated intergenerational events to foster stronger community engagement and relationships

Summit, New Jersey

English as a Second Language Instructor

Oct 2022 – Mar 2023

- Taught structured English lessons to 25+ adult learners, improving language proficiency through interactive curriculum
- Designed engaging lesson plans tailored to diverse learning needs, enhancing student progress

SKILLS

The Connection

Programming: Java, Swift (iOS), Python, C, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, SQL, GDScript, Kotlin

Certifications: Java Foundations Certified Junior Associate, Oracle Database Foundations Certified Junior Associate, CompTIA: ITF+ (IT Fundamentals), Microsoft Office Specialist: Associate