Brian Xu

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EDUCATION

Brown University, Providence, RI

Master of Science, Computer Science

September 2024 – May 2026 (expected)

Relevant Coursework: Seminar in Computer Vision for Graphics and Interaction

University of California, Irvine, Irvine, CA

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science; GPA: 3.88

September 2019 – December 2022

Dean's Honor List, 2019 – 2022

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Brown Visual Computing

Graduate Student Researcher

September 2024 – present

Conducting research on 3D reconstruction methods in extremely challenging environments.

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Meta Platforms, Inc.

Software Engineering Intern

June – September 2022

Improved the speed and scalability of a data annotation pipeline by integrating ML/CV models. Doubled efficiency while reducing data footprint by over 80% through efficient caching and usage of predictions from upstream in the pipeline. Redesigned database to better integrate with internal data visualization tools for quality control.

Amazon.com, Inc.

Software Engineering Intern

June – September 2021

Accelerated the user registration process by implementing a responsive user interface built in jQuery. Designed a robust and scalable backend with the Spring Framework, deployed on AWS. Utilized RESTful design principles to communicate sensitive user data between internal endpoints. Collaborated closely with UI designers to create a responsive user experience

PROJECTS

HyP-NeRF: Learning Improved NeRF Priors using a HyperNetwork

https://github.com/brian-xu/HyP-NeRF

Partial implementation of a research paper, building on the author's reference implementation. Original contributions include extending the model to generate NeRF models conditioned on input text and images through usage of CLIP embeddings.

Brian Xu Curriculum Vitae

Inverse Graphics GAN: Learning to Generate 3D Shapes from Unstructured 2D Data github.com/brian-xu/IGGAN

Implemented and trained a neural network for generating 3D models representing 2D images, based on a research paper. Built an efficient data pipeline to enable model training.

LEADERSHIP / MEMBERSHIP

Brown RISD Game Developers

Programmer September 2024 – present

Collaboratively designed and built an indie game in Unity.

Brown Puzzle Hunt

Tech Team Member September 2024 – present

Collaboratively developed a full-stack application to support puzzle hunts attended by hundreds of solvers.

Artificial Intelligence @ University of California, Irvine

Student Mentor March 2020 – June 2021

Organized and planned quarterly meetings. Designed and taught machine learning workshops to students. Led club presentation for university hackathon and judged student projects.

WORKSHOPS/PRESENTATIONS

"RenderNet: 3D Voxel Rendering with Deep Convolutional Networks"	April 2021
Artificial Intelligence @ UCI	
"HackUCI - Supervised Learning with Online Datasets"	January 2021
HackUCI 2021	
"PIFuHD: Image-Based 3D Human Shape Estimation"	January 2021
Artificial Intelligence @ UCI	
"Fundamental Machine Learning / Data Science Tools"	November 2020
Artificial Intelligence @ UCI	
"BERT: Bidirectional NLP with Transformers"	May 2020
Artificial Intelligence @ UCI	