

# Matthew P. Burruss

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## EDUCATION

<b>Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN</b>	2016 - 2020
B.E. Comp. Eng. 3.99/4.00 Distinctions: <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> , Program Award Comp. Eng.	
M.S Computer Science 4.00/4.00 Thesis: <i>Enhancing the Robustness of Deep Neural Networks using Radial Basis Functions</i>	

## RELEVANT SKILLS

- Python, Javascript, C/C++
- AWS, Docker, React, Jupyter
- PyTorch, Keras, OpenCV, NumPy, D3

## TECHNICAL CERTIFICATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- **Certifications:** AWS Certified Solutions Architect – Associate Level (Credential ID: K284TTGC3N441S9J)
- **Publications:**
  - DeepNNCar: A Testbed for Deploying and Testing Middleware Frameworks for Autonomous Robots
  - Dynamic-Weighted Simplex Strategy for Learning Enabled Cyber Physical Systems
  - Augmenting Learning Components for Safety in Resource Constrained Autonomous Robots
- **Technology Blog(s):** <https://matthew.p.burruss.com>

## WORK EXPERIENCE

<b>Microsoft AI Platforms Team, Software Engineer</b>	Aug. 2020 - Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Designing tools to enhance customer and product insights advancing business use-cases of AI/ML and leveraging Azure cloud.</li><li>• Deploying big data solutions using PySpark and Databricks</li></ul>	
<b>Capital One, Technology Development Program Intern</b>	June 2019 – Aug. 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Designed and deployed a microservice using NodeJS, Python, and Docker on an AWS ECS cluster to provide a Slack channel interface for our team's web application.</li><li>• Built an AWS Lambda solution around SNS and CloudWatch to automate real-time error detection of our team's app.</li></ul>	
<b>Institute for Software Integrated Systems Researcher, Vanderbilt University</b>	May 2018 – May 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Co-authored a paper accepted to IEEE ISORC 2019 describing a middleware framework for testing learning algorithms for autonomous vehicles.</li><li>• Other publications and research listed above</li></ul>	
<b>Undergraduate/Graduate Teaching Assistant, Vanderbilt</b>	May 2018 – May 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Teaching assistant for Topics in Big Data, Operating Systems, and Introduction to Programming</li></ul>	

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE (Links Embedded in Title)

<b><a href="#">Sketch3D: An Augmented Reality (AR) Android Application</a>, Personal Project</b>	Jan. 2020 – May 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Built an AR android application using C#, Python, Unity, and the AR package Vuforia to convert hand drawn shapes into customizable 3D objects.</li><li>• Trained a PyTorch model to perform annotation segmentation and removal to allow customization of the virtual objects..</li><li>• Blog series: <a href="#">Part 1</a>, <a href="#">Part 2</a>, <a href="#">Part 3</a></li></ul>	
<b><a href="#">Vanderbilt Underwater Navigation Display Team Lead Software Developer</a>, Vanderbilt</b>	Aug. 2018 – May 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engineered a waterproof heads-up display unit to assist scuba divers in navigation and safety during dives.</li><li>• Programmed a proprietary kick counting algorithm and included critical metrics such as dive time, depth, temperature, and orientation into a hands-free unit with an in-house developed UI.</li></ul>	
<b><a href="#">Speech to Text LED Display</a>, Vanderbilt</b>	May. 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Created a device with a colleague that used a Beaglebone Black to accept audio input from a microphone, convert the audio to text using an open-source speech to text library, and display the text on a LED screen</li></ul>	
<b><a href="#">DeepNNCar</a>, Vanderbilt</b>	May. 2018 – Aug. 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Built an autonomous RC car using a Raspberry Pi 3, Python, and Keras to collect data, train models, and test autonomous algorithms.</li><li>• Blog series: <a href="#">DeepNNCar: A Testbed for Autonomous Algorithms</a></li></ul>	

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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**Events Coordinator,** *Vanderbilt Innovation and Entrepreneurship Society*

April 2018 – April 2019

- Coordinated logistics (transportation, location, catering, etc.) concerning entrepreneurial and career-developing events.

**EVOLVE Fall Class of 2017,** *Vanderbilt University*

Sep. 2017 – Oct. 2017

- Completed an 8 week leadership program which focused on interpersonal, leadership, and soft skills.

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

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**Gili Shark Conservation Research Assistant,** *Gili Air, Indonesia*

May 2018

- Awarded \$1750 of funding by Vanderbilt's Nichols Humanitarian Scholarship and \$500 from the Office of Inclusive Excellence Scholarship to perform underwater conservation work in the Gili Islands of Indonesia.