# CAREEN NEHEMIA MWENISONGOLE

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### **EDUCATION**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, B.Sc. Artificial Intelligence & Decision Making

Cambridge, MA | May 2027

Relevant Coursework: Intro to Machine Learning, Data Structures and Algorithms, Fundamentals of Programming, Discrete

Mathematics, Probability, Linear Algebra & Calculus

## WORK EXPERIENCE

# Birth By Us - Software Engineering Intern | BirthByUs

Chicago, IL | June - August 2025

- Built a full-stack **React Native** postpartum support app from **0 to 1**, delivering core features for beta launch and enabling 2,000+ families to coordinate care through shared task management
- Developed REST APIs and backend controllers for role based user access, and time-based data filtering in MongoDB, using indexing and pagination to improve responsiveness
- Performed NLP analysis on 20+ interview transcripts and visualized insights in Tableau to inform Figma UI/UX design

#### MIT Concrete Sustainability Lab - Full Stack Developer | Concrete-GHG

February - May 2025

- Designed and developed a web app using **Plotly.js** and **Pandas** to model and visualize greenhouse gas (GHG) emission savings across all 50 U.S. states enabling civil engineers to compare low-emission concrete design options
- Built a Flask backend with PostgreSQL to handle real-time data queries on 10,000+ concrete mix records
- Enabled 4 engineering teams to optimize low-emission concrete designs by delivering GHG insights through data analysis

## Code Safari - Technical Lead and Instructor | CodeSafari-Github

June 2024 - present

- Designed a project-based curriculum for 45 Tanzanian students, covering **Python** and web development (**HTML/CSS/JS**), with \$7500 funding secured for operations and instruction
- Architecting a self-guided coding platform with FastAPI and GPT-4, using RAG to deliver learning support
- Mentored 6 teams over 8 weeks to build and deploy web apps, providing feedback and debugging support in office hours

## **PROJECTS**

## Rafiki Academy - Technical Lead | Rafiki-Github

- Developing an AI-driven SAT practice platform with **React**, **Node.js**, and **MongoDB** to introduce an interactive feedback loop missing from most existing SAT prep materials
- Integrating GPT-4 to infer student reasoning, and adapt follow-up questions to deliver personalized guidance beyond static answer keys
- Currently in beta with ~50 users, collecting data to refine accuracy, usability, and learning impact prior to public launch

### BeaverBay Social Platform - Product Engineer

- Designed the UI/UX in Figma and built a React-based campus marketplace and social platform for MIT students
- Implemented real-time messaging with WebSockets (Socket.io) and secured user access with Firebase Authentication
- Deployed to 150+ users, collected feedback, and iterated on key features to improve usability and engagement

## LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

## Rafiki Global Scholars - Co-Founder | rafikiglobalsch.org

August 2024 - Present

- Co-founded a nonprofit supporting high-achieving Tanzanian students to gain admission to universities in the US
- Mentored 20+ students in SAT prep and essay writing, leading to acceptances at NYU, Tufts, Alfred, and Minerva
- Raised over \$5,000 in funding, secured laptop donations through partnerships and built outreach through collaboration with local schools

## Talented Scholars Resources - Teaching Assistant for CS and Calculus

March 2024 - Present

- Deliver 1:1 and small-group tutoring on debugging, algorithm optimization, and problem-solving strategies, boosting students' confidence and coding efficiency
- Lead weekly problem set nights for 30+ students, collaborative problem-solving and breaking down complex programming and math concepts into clear, approachable steps

## TECHNICAL SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages & Tools: Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, HTML, CSS, Git, Figma, REST APIs

Frameworks & Platforms: ReactJS, React Native, Node.js, MongoDB, Firebase, PostgreSQL

Interests: Machine Learning, Web Development, Education (teaching), Healthcare, Photography, Poetry, Science-Fiction