Charles M. Raines

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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science (Al and Robotics)

Expected May 2028

Mississippi State University | GPA: 4.00/4.00

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (Concentration in Artificial Intelligence)

May 2024

Mississippi State University | GPA: 4.00/4.00

RESEARCH AND PROJECTS

- Precision Agriculture Weed Detection And Treatment Using Color Segmentation and Dilation Masking
- Instance Segmentation and Spatial Graphs for Vision-Language Navigation Models in Construction Robotics (International Conference for Robotics and Automation 2025 Poster)
- · Adversarial Attacks in Robotics: Evasion, Poisoning, Adversarial Patching, LiDAR Spoofing
- Autonomous Tractor System Using NVIDIA Jetson, ROS2, and Arduino
- Radiation Mapping Robotics for Environmental Safety

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant

May 2024 - Present

Department of Computer Science, Mississippi State University

Conduct research and develop novel methods and algorithms in AI, Machine Learning, and Robotics.

Operate and manage robots within the RAPTOR Lab at MSU while inventing and implementing cutting-edge AI technology.

Undergraduate Research Engineer

May 2022 - May 2024

Institute for Clean Energy Technology, Mississippi State University

Implement SLAM, path planning, and obstacle detection on a nuclear radiation detection robot. Utilize ROS2, Python, C++, networking, and robotics engineering while troubleshooting hardware and software issues.

Information Technology Specialist

April 2021 - October 2022

Department of Mathematics, Mississippi State University

Troubleshooted hardware and software issues for staff and faculty, implementing scripts to resolve problems across multiple devices. Served as a subject matter expert in technology, including managing the upgrade of the department's technology lab.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, C++, JavaScript Machine Learning & Al: PyTorch, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, ART, Scikit-learn, Hugging Face Robotics & SLAM: ROS2, SLAM, Vision-Language Navigation, Robotic Security

Computer Vision & Perception: OpenCV, Numpy, Semantic Segmentation, YOLO, Object Detection, Segmentation Masking

Autonomous Systems: Real-time Clustering, Path Planning, Localization & Mapping

Mathematical Foundations: Linear Algebra, Matrix Transformations, Calculus

Embedded Systems & Edge Computing: NVIDIA Jetson, Raspberry Pi, Arduino

Software Development & Tools: Git, Docker, Linux, Bash Scripting

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2025 Goudelock Endowed Scholarship for Computer Science and Engineering
- Stephen D. Lee Scholar in Computer Science
- Summa Cum Laude Graduate
- 2x Fort Worth Region US Navy Sailor of the Quarter
- 4x NRC Meridian Sailor of the Quarter
- 2021 NRC Meridian Sailor of the Year
- US Navy Good Conduct Service Medal
- US Navy National Defense Service Medal