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## EDUCATION

**The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA**  
**College of Information Sciences and Technology**  
**Schreyer Honors College**

June 2018 – December 2021

- **Bachelor Science in Information Science and Technology, Design and Development Option**
  - **Minor:** Security & Risk Analysis
  - **Overall GPA:** 3.89 | **Major GPA:** 4.0

**Dean's List:** FA18, SP19, FA19

**Scholarships:** Richard C. Assetto, Robert and Tammy Morgan Trustee, and Hendrickson Family Trustee Scholarship

**Major Related Course Work:** Data structures & Algorithms, Databases & SQL, Networking, Leadership in Technology, Object Oriented Programming, Information Security, Discrete Mathematics, Object Oriented Design

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Pfizer**

**Associate Software Engineer**

August 2020 – Present

- Contributing to a disturbed data platform that exposes micro-services that are utilized by client applications for various finance and manufacturing solutions

**Software Engineer Intern**

June 2020 – August 2020

- Engineered a full stack web application that dynamically serves API documentation on the fly
- Designed a front-end user interface using ReactJS and built out a back-end in Java Spring Framework
- Collaborated with an intern to build a static content site for multiple teams.

**Rajant Corporation, Systems Engineer Intern**

May 2019 – August 2019

*Rajant is a defense contractor that produces networking technology that enables secure, real-time communication.*

- Established an API Gateway to provide centralized authentication for API's and 115 employees.
- Engineered a power monitoring system, that utilizes Python on a Raspberry Pi.
- Analyzed a corporate network of 10-15 servers, two VPN connections, and multiple Virtual LAN's.

**College of Information Science & Technology**

**Learning Assistant Coordinator for Intermediate Java Courses**

January 2020 – Present

- Managing ten learning assistants, facilitating communications to tutors, and conducting interviews.

**Java Learning Assistant**

January 2020 – Present

- Taught a set of students fundamental object-oriented concepts, assisted instructor with lectures, grading, and course materials.

**Instruction Assistant, Lead Teaching Assistant**

January 2019 – May 2020

- Managing two new learning assistants and creating new course content for Security and Risk Analysis course.
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## LEADERSHIP

**President and Co-Founder of Emerging Technology Club**

September 2019 – Present

*EMTech is a club that presents demos based on the Raspberry Pi and teaches students about emerging technologies.*

- Creating advanced Linux labs, collaborating with an executive team to organize and plan meetings.
  - Maintaining website and developing labs and webinars on emerging technologies.
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## VOLUNTEER WORK

**CB Transportation**

July 2019 - Present

- Aided in configuring Alien Vault defensive security system for detecting security vulnerabilities.

**Penn State Ski Team**

Sept 2018 – Present

- Fundraised for THON and team funding. College club level competitions five times a year.
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## PROJECTS (see second page for more details)

- Space-Xplore (ReactJS, SpaceX-API)
  - Py-Github (Python, Github)
  - JavaFit
  - RPi Led Game
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## SKILLS AND TOOLS

**Hard Skills:**

- **Languages:** Python, Java, SQL, Shell Script
- **Web Technologies:** React, Redux, HTML5, CSS, Sass, Web Components
- **Operating Systems:** Fedora, Ubuntu, Windows, Mac OS
- **Tools:** Docker, Git (Github & Gitlabs), Kubernetes, Virtual Box, MongoDB, Postman, Various IDE's; VS Code, Netbeans, Vim
- **Concepts:** MVC Java Development, Data Structures & Algorithms, Information Security, OOP Design

**Soft Skills:**

- Leadership, Communication, Time Management, Adaptability, Teamwork, Decision Making, Persistence

**Certifications:** Certified Wireless Analyst (CWA), Certified IP Telecom Network Specialist

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## Projects

### Space-Xplore

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#### *ReactJS Web Application*

- Designed and build a web application that displays content from the SpaceX API
- Utilized Google Maps API to generate maps with SpaceX data
- Created a CI / CD pipeline for automatic deployments via Github Actions
- Live Demo: <https://collinkleest.github.io/space-xplore/#/>
- Source Code: <https://github.com/collinkleest/space-xplore/>

### JavaFit

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#### *Native JavaFX Fitness application*

- Built a full stack Desktop application for a user-based Fitness tracking application
- Utilized MongoDB's free Atlas server for a centralized database for users and their data
- Applied Model-View-Controller framework for the applications structure
- Designed the user interface with JavaFX libraries
- Source Code: <https://github.com/collinkleest/javafit>

### Py-Github

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#### *Python command line tool to interact with Github.*

- Built a command line tool written python that allows a user to interact with the Github API from the command line
- Allows user to perform common web interface actions via the command line
- Source Code: <https://github.com/collinkleest/py-github>

### RPi Led Game

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#### *Two Player led game written in Python.*

- Engineered a two person LED game written in Python
- Utilized a breadboard to make in person game interactions
- Source Code: <https://github.com/collinkleest/py-led-game>
- YouTube Demo: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XbRmYca14Fc>