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EDUCATION

City University of New York, College of Staten Island

Master of Science, Computer Science: Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

Bachelor of Science, Biology: Health Science

Jan 2022

Relevant Coursework:

Machine Learning & Knowledge Discovery, Artificial Intelligence, Analysis of Algorithms, Data Structures, C++ Programming, Python Programming, Database Systems (SQL), Software Engineering, Web Development, Cybersecurity Fundamentals, Networking and Security, Computer Game Programming

SKILLS

Programming: C++ (Advanced), Python (Advanced), HTML/CSS (Advanced), JavaScript (Intermediate), Java (Intermediate), Kotlin (Intermediate), SQL (Intermediate), Vue.js (Basic), Bash (Basic), R (Basic)

Methodologies & Technologies: Agile, SDLC, CI/CD, Application Resiliency, Security Principles; Git/GitHub, Linux Competencies: Data Structures, Natural Language Processing (NLP), Machine Learning, Full-Stack Development Spoken Languages: French (Intermediate), Spanish (Intermediate), Italian (Fair)

PROJECTS

Language-Learning App

In Progress

- Building upon AnkiDroid's open-source codebase by integrating OpenAI API, text-to-speech API, speech-to-text API,
 SQLite database management, and Kotlin
- Enabling users to practice language skills with an LLM via adaptive learning that adjusts to their proficiency level

UVC Scavenger Game

May 2025

- Developed a 2D puzzle game in Unity/C#, incorporating riddles, sequence challenges, and layered logic puzzles
- Applied strong problem-solving skills to design progressive difficulty levels that maintain player engagement
- Implemented intuitive UI and thematic storytelling for an immersive gameplay experience

BERT Hate Speech Detection Model

Jan 2025

• Trained a BERT model on a labeled Twitter dataset using tokenization and context-aware embeddings, achieving 82% accuracy and 0.23 cross-entropy loss to improve precision for subtle and context-dependent language patterns

Keylogger

May 2024

• Built a discreet keylogger in C++ as part of Networking and Security coursework, recording keystrokes and saving them to a local log file while program runs invisibly in the background

Kitty Galore

Apr 2024

• Developed a solo web application in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript to fetch and display random cat images via API, with user-specified tags, text, font styles, and image filters for personalized image generation

VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE

CodePath - Intermediate Technical Interview Prep

June 2025 – Aug 2025

• Program focusing on algorithms, data structures, Big O, and interview problem-solving using LeetCode-style questions.

GE Aerospace Explore Digital Technology virtual experience program on Forage

Apr 2025

- Completed a Vue.js UI development simulation for the Frontend Development Team, demonstrating proficiency in Vue SFC Playground by implementing headings, images, buttons, and dynamic variable displays for efficient user interactions
- Drafted technical requirements and explored strategies to align specifications with business needs for effective solutions

CompTIA PenTest+ Cert Guide (PT0-002) on uCertify

Dec 2024

SUPPORTING EXPERIENCE

Pool Deck Attendant, Planned Companies

Jersey City, NJ | May 2025 - Sept 2025

- Oversaw daily operations of a residential pool, ensuring a safe and secure environment through rule enforcement, access control, and routine inspections
- Supervised staff, handled resident communications, and managed close-down procedures

Receptionist, Four Fitness Hamilton Park

Jersey City, NJ | Oct 2023 – July 2025

• Utilized effective communication as first point of contact for gym members, managed phone inquiries, and maintained a welcoming atmosphere; monitored and maintained proper pool chemical levels to ensure safety and hygiene

ASSOCIATIONS

Clubs: CSI Computer Science Club, CSI Women in Technology Club