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EDUCATION

City University of New York, College of Staten Island

Master of Science, Computer Science: Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics Expected May 2027 Bachelor of Science, Computer Science Expected Dec 2025 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

- Utilizes OpenAI API, text-to-speech API, speech-to-text API, SQLite database management, and Kotlin
- Enables users to practice language skills with an LLM via adaptive learning that adjusts to the user's proficiency level

UVC Scavenger Game Developed a 2D puzzle game in Unity/C#, incorporating riddles, sequence challenges, and layered logic puzzles

May 2025

- 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

- 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

Receptionist, Four Fitness Hamilton Park

Jersey City, NJ | Oct 2023 – Present

- Utilizing effective communication as first point of contact for gym members, managing phone inquiries, and maintaining a welcoming atmosphere
- Monitoring and maintaining proper pool chemical levels to ensure safety and hygiene

Lab Research Student, College of Staten Island

Staten Island, NY | Feb 2022 - Apr 2022

- Contributed to research on pathological tau protein related to chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE) and Alzheimer's Disease, assisting with data collection, analysis, and interpretation
- Gained experience in research methodology, including literature review, data management, and experimental procedure

ASSOCIATIONS

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