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EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego

September 2025

Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering and Cognitive Science (Machine Learning & Neural Computation), GPA: 3.3

Relevant Courses: Software Engineering, Data Structures/Algorithms, Machine Learning, Operating Systems

Academic Awards: Provost Honors (3x), Synthesis Microgrant Award

WORK EXPERIENCE

TipTop Technologies

January 2025 - March 2025

Software Engineering Intern

Sunnyvale, CA

- Designed **soft deletion endpoints** in Flask for assets and feeds, ensuring safe recovery while maintaining backend data integrity
- Built real time NLP microservices using **Whisper**, **MarianMT**, and **FFmpeg** on **AWS EC2** and Lambda, enabling low-latency multilingual translation

Supermicro

June 2024 - September 2024

System Engineer Intern (GPU Team)

San Jose, CA

- Diagnosed and resolved **OS and server hardware issues**, improving system reliability by 40%
- Maintained LLaMA model's knowledgebase by integrating data pipelines and automating end-to-end processing with Bash and Python scripts, eliminating **100% of manual workflows**.
- Implemented and optimized training/inference pipelines for LLaMA 3.1 models, increasing accuracy by 30% through **LoRA fine tuning** and optimized environment configuration

Qualcomm Institute

January 2024 - June 2024

Software Engineering Intern

San Diego, CA

- Developed a high resolution **digital twin** of UCSD Campus using 3D photogrammetry, increasing model clarity by 50%
- Enhanced solar panel positioning and weather modeling by integrating **Python** scripting in Unreal Engine with a C++ plugin to optimize daily sunlight variations

LearnWise AI

October 2023 - December 2023

Software Engineering Intern

Remote, CA

- Developed and deployed **Golang microservices** integrated with AWS Lambda and API Gateway, supporting scalable backend features for real-time education tools
- Improved response times for chatbot and NLP features by leveraging Go's concurrency model and optimizing cloud native service execution

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

CodePath

May 2024 - August 2024

Tech Fellow

San Francisco, CA

- Mentored 30 students in data structures and algorithms, resulting in a 25% improvement in problem solving accuracy

Computer Science and Engineering Society (CSES) at UCSD

September 2023 - June 2024

Event Director

San Diego, CA

- Directed **40+ technical workshops and social events**, reaching over **500 students**

- Launched a **mentorship program** that increased student participation in computer science by 20%

PROJECTS

Mini AWS (Minio, Kubernetes, Docker, Ngrok)

- Built a multi-node Kubernetes cluster to host MinIO, replicating core cloud services such as S3-compatible object storage, EC2 virtual machines, Lambda serverless functions, and secure remote access
- Implemented GitOps-driven CI/CD pipelines with observability tooling to support the full system lifecycle, including monitoring, access control, and dashboard integration

KeycapVault (Python, MongoDB, Flask, HTML, CSS, JavaScript)

- Created web application with a custom scraper to automate keycap data collection, enable CRUD management, and compare user collection against live product listings

Dev Journal (HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Node.js, Express.js, Jest-Puppeteer, SQLite)

- Created a localized, privacy-focused note-taking application, improving data security and user experience

SKILLS

Languages | Java, Python, JavaScript, C, C++, HTML, CSS, Golang, Bash

Technologies | React, Node.js, Next.js, FastAPI, PostgreSQL, SQLite, MongoDB, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Kubernetes

Software | AWS, GCP, Docker, Unix/Linux, Git/Github