# **DIEGO SAAVEDRA**

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## **EDUCATION**

#### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Expected Graduation Date: Dec 2024

**Relevant Coursework**: Data Structures, Computer Architecture, Software Engineering, Web Programming, Probability & Statistics, Database Systems, Embedded Systems, Algorithms & Models of Computation, Machine Learning

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Soma Reality

Jan 2024 – April 2024

Software Development Intern

- Leading the development of advanced mobile app features, with a focus on achieving peak performance, responsiveness, and delivering an exceptional user experience.
- Designing and implementing robust APIs, serving as the backbone of the application, and facilitating fluid communication between front-end and back-end structures.
- Optimize the app for speed, scalability, and cross-platform compatibility. Proactively identify and resolve technical challenges related to performance, security, and scalability.

#### **PROJECTS**

**HelloAl** CLICK HERE for video demonstration!

React Native

- Developed an Al-integrated social chat mobile application, that enables real-time messaging using GetStream, AWS for user authentication, and OpenAl API for instant responses and enhanced collaboration.
- Users can practice exam questions by taking a photo or writing a multiple-choice question. The AI provides correct
  answers with explanations while displaying the correctness of group members' responses.
- Recreated the Al-integrated social chat app using Firebase Realtime Database for real-time messaging and Redux for state management.
- Added audio voice messages, and optimized storage with Firebase Storage for image attachments.

#### **CS Degree Tracker**

- Developed a web application for tracking MCS and bachelor's degree progress. Uses React, Node.js, Express.js, MongoDB, and JSON.
- Enabled user accounts for progress tracking and utilized the UIUC Courses API for efficient data retrieval.

#### LA Crime Observation

- Collaboratively (4 ppl.) developed an advanced crime observation platform for Los Angeles, showcasing expertise in Python, NumPy, and C++.
- Engineered an efficient data pipeline, optimizing LAPD data extraction and integration through advanced SQL queries.

**Doggy Match** CLICK HERE for video demonstration!

- Collaboratively (4 ppl.) developed a dog meetup app with Tinder-like swipe functionality using Java.
- Utilized Android Studio for the front-end, Spring Boot for the back-end and MySQL for secure storage of user data.

### **SKILLS**

Programming Languages: JavaScript, Python, Java, C++, SQL

Frameworks/Tools: React Native, React, AWS, Firebase, MongoDB, Spring Boot, Redux

**Spoken Languages:** English, Spanish