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## **EDUCATION**

Rice University Computer Science and Electrical Engineer Double Major

Graduation Date: May 2024 (Expected) GPA: 3.39

Northeast Lakeview College Associate of Liberal Arts

Graduation Date: May 2020 GPA: 4.0

**Judson Early College Academy** Advanced Track: College Pre-Calculus to Calculus II

Valedictorian GPA: 4.0

Graduation Date: May 2020

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### Mathnasium of Converse, Part-time Employment

May 2019-Aug. 2020

- +Instructed over 100 students with mathematical comprehension and application
- +Improved students' performance in their math classes by 20%; standardized test scores by 30%

### Tech Skills on Wheels, IT Summer Internship

Jun-Aug. 2019

- +Developed over 10 STEM-related lesson plans to teach to over 20 kids from impoverished areas
- +Delivered technological aid and STEM education to households with less than \$25,000 income
- +Mentored students participating in NASA's Apollo Next Giant Leap Student (ANGLeS) robotics challenge

### TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE/EDUCATION

### Team IV League; Portable IV Stand, Engineering Project

Aug-Dec. 2020

- +Tasked with constructing a portable IV stand for Hospital de Amor, Brazil's most advanced oncological hospital
- +Design features the spatial efficiency of a 55 x 7.5 x 12.5 cm briefcase while meeting client's constraints
- +Team lead for the design block for a spring-expansion mechanism for the stand's shaft

### Rice Emerging Scholars Program, 6 weeks STEM Enrichment Program

Jun-Aug. 2020

+Coding Project: Created a complex simulation of a zombie apocalypse in Python using graphs

#### Google CSSI, STEM Enrichment Program

Jun-Aug. 2020

+Completed the Coursera's Algorithmic Toolbox course from UC San Diego within 2 weeks

# MIT's LLCipher, Cybersecurity Workshop

Aug 2019

+30 nationwide students were to attend competitive cybersecurity workshop taught by MIT professors

# Trinity University's SoHacks, Hackathon

Aug 2019

+Designed a secured software with user interface in Python to encrypt and decrypt computer files via password

### Involvement

## Rice Eclipse Rocketry Club 2020-Present

+Research and develop hybrid rocket engines and compete in Spaceport America Cup

### Rice Computer Science Club 2020-Present

+Networking community organization with mentors and fellow CS peers

# Vietnamese Student Association (Rice) 2020-Present

+Representing Vietnamese culture and awareness at Rice campus

#### FIRST Tech Challenge 2016-2020

- +2017-2020 Assistant Lead Programmer
- $+ Implemented\ coding\ algorithm\ that\ led\ our\ team\ to\ place\ Top\ 5\ in\ the\ Central-Coastal\ Texas\ Regionals$
- +Team received several awards every year including 2 Inspire Awards (highest distinction achievable in FIRST)

#### Class Officer Vice President, 2018-2019

+ Promoted large-scale school events and raised attendances by 40%

#### Texas A&M SPARK! Engineering Challenge 2016-2018

- +2017-2018 Team Lead
- +Collaborated with three other members to construct a hydraulic press (2017) and a Stirling engine (2018)

# **AWARDS**

### The Gates Scholarship 2020

 $+ Full-ride\ scholarship\ awarded\ to\ 300\ nationwide\ applicants; 50\%\ of\ recipients\ attend\ Top\ 10\ universities$ 

### **APIA Scholar Finalist** 2020

+Finalist applicant for \$40,000 scholarship awarded to underserved Asian and Pacific Islander Americans

#### QuestBridge National College Match 2019

+Admitted to Rice University with full-ride scholarship as a low-income student

## **TexPREP Prefreshman Engineering Program Honors** 2014-2017

+Honors recognition for extensive engineering summer program; received St. Mary's University scholarship \$30,000 FIRST Tech Challenge Awards

- +Inspire Award (2018, 2019) Team is an inspiration to other teams and demonstrates gracious professionalism
- +Think Award (2016, 2019, 2020) Best robotics documentation and quality of high-efficiency mechanism
- +Design Award (2016, 2018) Cohesive and effective design