EDWARD ZHANG

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EDUCATION

University of Florida (UF) - Gainesville, FL

B.S. Computer Engineering, B.S.B.A Finance

GPA 3.97/4.00

Grad Date: Spring 2023

- *Relevant Coursework:* Introduction to Software Engineering, Digital Logic, Programming Fundamentals 2, Signals and Systems, Business Finance, Financial Accounting and Reporting 1.
- Honors: Dean's List, Benacquisto Scholarship

WORK EXPERIENCE

NextEra Energy - Juno Beach, FL

May 2021 - Present

Information Technology Intern

- Increased allocation of \$25 million software costs to known applications from 3% to over 70%.
- Developed an app concept to reduce wasted revenue by \$2 million, resulting in senior director sponsorship.
- Learned Office VBA and developed macros to automate Excel processing, reducing time spent by over half.

Florida Institute for Cybersecurity Research - Gainesville, FL

January 2019 - Present

Undergraduate Researcher – Worked under Dr. Domenic Forte

- Preprocessed a LSUN dataset and trained a generative adversarial network (StyleGAN2) on UF's HiPerGator.
- Produced preliminary results of deblurring and image reconstruction on face images from the FFHQ dataset.
- Extracted and processed topological data using toolkits to successfully identify components within an image.

Dow Jones – New York City, NY

June 2019 - August 2019

Innovation Lab Intern

- Developed a pitch deck for a marketing campaign to drive WSJ sponsored college activations.
- Researched and presented suggestions to leadership on an app concept targeting youngergenerations.
- Assisted in proofreading Wall Street Journal City articles and newsletters.

Civil Air Patrol (CAP) – Boca Raton, FL

June 2015 – May 2019

Cadet Executive Officer, 1st Lieutenant

- Led and educated cadets and sergeants on leadership skills, aerospace education, and character development.
- Drove improvements in squadron education curriculums and recruitment, increasing cadet count by over 50%.
- *Honors:* Cadet of the Year (2017); VFW Cadet NCO of the Year (2016); AFA Cadet of the Year (2017)

LEADERSHIP AND INVOLVEMENT

Eta Kappa Nu (HKN) Epsilon Sigma - Gainesville, FL

January 2020 - Present

ECE Curriculum Chair (2020-2021)

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers - Gainesville, FL

October 2019 - Present

Assistant Treasurer (2020-2021)

PROJECTS

GatorLoop Inventory Management System - Gainesville, FL

January 2021 – May 2021

Project Manager, Full-Stack Developer

- Managed a five-person team to build and deploy a fully functional website that aligned with our client's vision.
- Directed bi-weekly scrum meetings and acted in a full-stack capacity with a focus on the front-end design.
- Technologies: MERN stack (MongoDB, Express, React, Node), Git.

Spotify Song Recommendation - Gainesville, FL

August 2020 – December 2020

Team Leader

- Led a 3-person team through project ideation, development, testing, and presentation.
- Developed an algorithm that processed over 100,000 datapoints to extract relevant stats and match them to users.
- **Technologies:** C++, Python, Kaggle.

TECHNICAL SKILLS / INTERESTS

Skills: React, MongoDB, Express.js, Node.js, Excel, Word, PowerPoint, MATLAB, Java, C++ **Interests:** Machine Learning, Project Management, Computer Science, Research and Development