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## EDUCATION

### Northwestern University

Evanston, IL

*Bachelor/Master of Science, Computer Science/Computer Engineering*

*Sep 2022 – Jun 2025*

- **Score:** 4.00/4.00
- **Relevant Coursework:** Computer Architecture; Advanced Digital Design (with Verilog); Compiler Construction; Code Analysis and Transformation (in LLVM); Interfaces and UI/UX Design; Machine Learning; Deep Learning

## EXPERIENCE

### Campus Ambassador

Sep 2023 – Present

*Ansys*

*Evanston, IL*

Acted as the student representative for Ansys on Northwestern's Campus.

- Researched, reached out to, and scheduled meetings with relevant campus groups to discuss Ansys' tools.
- Organized lunch info sessions for Ansys, including booking rooms and organizing food.
- Coordinated with a member of the Ansys team for the campus work.

### Summer Undergraduate Researcher

Jun 2023 – Sep 2023

*PARAG@N Lab*

*Evanston, IL*

Funded by an NSF REU and a grant from the NU CS department, I was able to perform cutting-edge research on quantum computing.

- Designed and programmed a quantum compiler to optimize quantum circuits for emerging quantum computer topologies.
- Created a development framework and tools for further quantum systems research.
- Student leader of the project while an undergraduate student.

### Teaching Assistant

Jun 2023 – Aug 2023

*Northwestern University*

*Evanston, IL*

Acted as an undergraduate peer mentor for CS 321 Programming Languages.

- Held several office hours each week.
- Answered questions, both synchronously in office hours each week and asynchronously on a Piazza message board.

## PROJECTS

### Northwestern Fintech Club | C++, Python, CMake, Machine Learning, Redis, libcurl, libuv Jun 2023 – Present

- Created a orderbook system to pull orderbooks from exchanges using libcurl and libuv, then push them into a Redis instance for consumption by ML prediction clients.
- Organized linting and build systems for multiple projects, in C++ and Python.
- Helped create a development architecture for the coming years, with a focus on reducing technical debt.

### MediumAnt | C, Polulu Wixel, Polulu Micro Maestro, Servos

Jan 2022 – Feb 2022

- Six-legged ant-like robot created in collaboration with Dr. Shai Revzen at the BIRDS Lab at the University of Michigan.
- Built from laser-cut styrofoam; moves using 360° servos controlled by a Polulu Micro Maestro.
- Movement control accomplished by two wirelessly communicating Polulu Wixels, one on the robot to control motors and the other connected to a PC to receive commands.

### Self-Balancing Robot | C++, Arduino, MPU6050, L298N

Jan 2020 – Jul 2021

- Two wheeled self-balancing robot using a MPU6050 gyroscope and L298N motor controller.
- All code is written in C++; the motors are PID controlled using the angle of the robot reported by the gyroscope.
- The bulk of the work was done from 2020.01.06 to 2020.01.24, with additional work during July 2021.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

### Rebecca Ashley Thatcher Award for Overall Academic Achievement | Roycemore School

2022.06.03

Awarded to the best-performing student in the Roycemore Senior class.

### Headmaster's Award | Roycemore School

2022.05.13

Awarded to the Senior best representing Roycemore's Core Values.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming Languages:** Python, C and C++, JavaScript, Java, MATLAB, Shell Script

**Machine Learning:** PyTorch, NumPy, PolaRS, Scikit-learn, Linear Algebra

**Tools:** Docker, Containerd, Taskfile, Make, CMake, Ruff and Flake8, Mypy, Poetry, Git, Github Actions, Linux

**Robotics:** Embedded devices, Embedded programming, ESP-32, Arduino, Intel 8051, Motor controls, Servos, Gyroscopes, PID Tuning, Motion processing, Command processing, Wireless communication