# **Galen Ferrara**

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# **Summary:**

Graduate software engineer with 2+ years building and deploying full stack applications in production environments. Skilled in Java, Kotlin, JavaScript, React, Node.js. Passionate about crafting intuitive, user-friendly interfaces to drive meaningful outcomes. Hoping to learn more frameworks and languages, and to work with innovative, fast-paced teams.

### **Skills:**

LANGUAGES (Proficient) - Java, Kotlin, JavaScript, HTML / CSS, SQL, Python
LANGUAGES (Familiar) - C, C#, PHP, TypeScript,
SOFTWARE - Azure, React, Node.js, Docker, Figma, InDesign, Linux
SKILLS - CI/CD pipelines, Testing (JUnit, Selenium, Mockito), Agile / Scrum, RESTful API

# **Work Experience:**

**Granite Associates Inc.**, Liberty, NY, USA – IT Intern - 2 Years

Sole IT intern at a New York-based multi-billion dollar investment firm for 2 years, earned experience in IT and software development.

- Created a media organization system in Python & JavaScript, resulting in \$2,000/year in savings.
- Redesigned employee review system leading to greatly increased user satisfaction, using JavaScript and hosted on Azure webapps.
- Managed 500+ terminal networks at external venues with a 99.99% uptime, experience with hardware and networking devices.
- Set up and maintained large-scale security systems including cameras, motion sensors, and network.
- Developed custom TV remote using Samsung MagicInfo API, prevented the need for a stationary terminal, expanded features and reduced startup time by as roughly 90%.

#### Bethel Woods Center for the Arts. Bethel. NY - Various Roles - 3 Years

- Led team of up to 8 in high-pressure, no-fail, deadlines.
- Customer facing, and back-of-house coordination for events hosting 20,000+ attendees.
- Promoted from parking management, to operations and management, to the parent company.

### **Education:**

**University of Nottingham,** United Kingdom / Malaysia **B.Sc. (Honours) in Computer Science,** 2022 - 2025 | First Class Expected

- Routinely led agile planning for 5-10 member groups, consistently achieving first class marks.
- Curriculum focused on algorithm efficiency and data structures.
- Key Project: Developed an IoT pet feeder robot using Azure-hosted web controls, earning a first class mark
- **Dissertation:** Engineered digital self control launcher application, reducing habitual smartphone use by 22% and earning a first class mark (*expected*).
- Year Abroad: Spent one year in Malaysia, enhancing my interpersonal and communication skills.

#### **SUNY Empire State University, Saratoga Springs NY**

Associates of Science in Science, Mathematics, and Technology, 2016 - 2021 | 3.65 GPA (2:1) Dean's List First university experience at 13 years old, developed foundational problem solving and analytical skills through courses such as statistics (A-), Quantitative Reasoning (A), Algebra (A), and Networks (B+). Demonstrated consistent academic improvement, achieving Dean's List recognition through excellence in advanced mathematics and biology.