

# Hieu “Leo” Nguyen

## EDUCATION

**Tampa, FL****University of South Florida****2021 - Expected May 2026**

- Bachelor's / Master's Pathways Degree in Computer Science. GPA: 3.8/4.

## SKILLS

- **Programming Language:** Python, C, C++, C#, Java, JavaScript/TypeScript, HTML5, CSS, SQL, Bash, Swift.
- **Technologies and Tools:** MySQL, PostgreSQL, NoSQL, Git/GitHub, GitHub Action, AWS, Google Cloud, Azure, Docker.
- **Web/Mobile Technologies:** Node.js, Vite.js, Express.js, React.js, FastAPI, React Native, Flask, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Swift UI.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Research Assistant****University of South Florida****May 2024 – Present**

Publication: “Global is Good, Local is Bad?": Understanding brand Bias in LLMs.

- Conducted comprehensive research on bias across many categories, such as age or gender, within Large Language Model (LLM).
- Engineered a specialized library in **Python** for systematic evaluation of **100,000** datasets in LLMs, reducing manual effort by **89%**.
- Collaborated with a team of researchers on studies focusing on mitigating bias in human health records using machine learning.
- Researched techniques to optimize LLM code generation for **complex data structures, algorithms**, competitive programming.

**AI/ML Software Engineer (Intern)****Resilience, Inc.****Sep – Dec 2023**

Technologies: AWS, React Native, Flask, Snyk, Figma, Linux, Python.

- Built a mindfulness mobile app to enhance emotional self-awareness across diverse demographics with a **95%** satisfaction rate.
- Executed design prototypes using Figma, further developing **5+** frontend features via React Native.
- Implemented a machine learning API endpoint with Flask (Python) on AWS EC2, leading to an **80%** reduction in response latency.
- Coordinated with cross-functional teams, including engineering and business for smooth production releases.

**AI/ML Developer (Intern)****Resilience, Inc.****June – Aug 2023**

Technologies: Keras, NumPy, Pandas, sklearn, matplotlib, TensorFlow, Python.

- Preprocessed and visualized **7000+** audio samples to extract vital features and improve the quality of training data.
- Built a CNN model using Keras (TensorFlow) from scratch, achieving a **72%** emotion classification accuracy.
- Streamlined ML processes by creating an automated data handling and model training pipeline, cutting project time by **30%**.
- Fine-tuned Whisper by **multiprocessing** through **parallelization** for CPUs to speed up translation time by **5.9x**.

## PROJECTS

**Talk To Listen ([talktolisten.com](https://talktolisten.com))** | FastAPI, Python, React Native, JavaScript, REST APIs, SQL, Firebase, Redux, CI/CD, AWS, Azure.

- Built a mobile AI chat app for seamless interaction with unique AI characters, each featuring distinct voices, personalities, stories.
- Grew the app to **1000+** active users and secured **\$10,000+** in sponsorship from Microsoft, OpenAI, and AWS Startup Programs.
- Managed all stages from machine learning integration, front-end, database, API design, back-end, for a **codebase** of **3000+** lines.
- Created scalable **distributed** system architecture using **Azure** services, supporting **100+** active users with **99.9%** uptime.
- Constructed a RESTful APIs server with FastAPI (Python) managing **30+** APIs, and 3 machine learning endpoints, deployed on AWS EC2 using Docker, and integrated with GitHub Actions for automated CI/CD, reducing production downtime by **60%**.
- Created and published an **open-source** dataset of **3M** tokens (nearly **2000** downloads monthly) and fine-tuned an LLM model using supervised learning, quantization method (QLoRA), and Pytorch, achieving an accuracy of **85%**.

**JobsDreamer ([jobsdreamer.com](https://jobsdreamer.com))** | Scrapy, Selenium, Python, Google Gemini 1M API, GPT4o, Llama3, Proxy, Azure, AWS.

- Launched a platform that assists **hundreds** of students in finding internships, automatically sending them emails with newly all posted relevant internship opportunities on the internet within the last 24 hours.
- Established a comprehensive job data processing pipeline utilizing **latest** AI tools, AWS EventBridge, AWS Step Functions, and AWS Fargate to **automate** daily web scraping, data preprocessing, and email notifications, increasing efficiency by **90%**.
- Deployed containerized **microservices** for web scraping across multiple job sites, leveraging Python, Scrapy, and Selenium.
- Automated a scalable and efficient Python pipeline with **advanced LLMs** to handle **1000+** of new **raw data** every day.

**BullBot ([bullbot.space](https://bullbot.space))** | Flask, AWS, Vite.js, Express.js, Node.js, Pytorch, Langchain, Python.

- Pioneered a full-stack chatbot web app answering queries across **1500+** Uni of South Florida websites with natural language recognition, providing precise sources for user clarity, especially for parents less adept at online searches.
- Initiated a Retrieval Augmented Generation (RAG) system, integrating Vector Store for efficient data management.
- Orchestrated a **microservice** architecture leveraging Vite.js, Express.js/Node.js, and various AWS services.

## LEADERSHIP

**Software Lead****Association for Computing Machinery – USF Chapter****November 2023 – Present**

- Leading a team project of 8 by creating detailed project plans, functional requirements, and documentation.
- Hosting technical workshops and mentoring other members in preparing and delivering their workshops, fostering a collaborative learning environment, which increasing participation by 70%.