Hodaka Nakamura

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EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine Expected June 2028

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Minor in Bioinformatics

Irvine, CA

GPA: 4.00

Campus-Wide Honors Collegium

Ida B. Wells-Barnett High School

June 2024

D. June 2024

High School Diploma

Portland, OR

GPA: 4.21

WORK EXPERIENCE

STEM Tutor January 2025 - Present

Ardent Academy

Branch Out

Irvine, CA

- Help K-12 students with STEM subjects, designing personalized curriculums and supporting their learning
- Responsible for multiple subjects, including Python, Java, JavaScript, C, C++, Physics, and Math up to Calculus

Ambassador Engineering Intern

January 2025 - Present

Irvine, CA

Develop tests for backend system of the Branch Out application, planning to work with Flutter front end as well

Learning tools including FastAPI, GraphQL, PostgreSQL, PyTest, Poetry, and GitLab

Software Engineering Intern

June 2023 - June 2024

TOPPERS (Toyohashi OPen Platform for Embedded Real-time Systems) Hakoniwa WG

Japan

- Engineering the Hakoniwa virtual environment for simulating real-world systems (e.g. drones)
- Introduced real-time audio streaming to cloud-based microcontroller simulations, working with signal processing
- Worked with C#, Python, and Bash
- Translated Japanese presentations to English for a University of Tokyo professor, contributing to the team's globalization
- Created the drone 3d model for the team's first drone simulation using Blender

Part-time Fullstack Web Developer

June 2021 - August 2022

Portland State University Fariborz Maseeh Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Portland, OR

- Integrated a customized course feature for a website to teach analysis and group theory to college students
- Developed both server-side and client-side code using HTML, JavaScript, CSS, PHP, SQLite, and jQuery

Part-time Math Tutor

June 2023 - May 2024

Mathnasium Learning Center

Portland, OR

Worked alongside multiple tutors to help K-12 children with math up to calculus, significantly assisting many students with their schoolwork

PROJECTS

Portfolio Website (hodakan.vercel.app)

2024

A personal portfolio made with Next.js and hosted with Vercel, creating dynamic UI and animations

DevBot

2020

- Private Discord bot to moderate, assign roles, and educate in programming
- Used in server with over 50k members
- Mainly written with Node.js and Discord.js

Unpublished Research Paper

2023

- Wrote an unpublished research paper with a mentor through the Inspirit AI+X 1:1 Research Mentorship program
- Used time series models (RNN, LSTM) to forecast the future number of Sunspots using Kaggle datasets, can help with space forecasting

SKILLS

Technical

Proficient in C++, JavaScript, C#, Python, HTML, CSS, jQuery, p5.js, Node.js, Discord.js, Tensorflow, NumPy, Pandas, Unreal Engine, Unity, Java, React, Next.js, Bootstrap, Tailwind CSS, utilizing Bash, Visual Studio Code, JetBrains IDEs, Github, Git Bash, GitKraken, Jupyter Fluent in Japanese

AWARDS/EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Campuswide Honors Collegium

September 2024 -

Dean's Honor List

Fall 2024

High School Chamber Orchestra

August 2020 - June 2024

First Violin Concertmaster

- Ensemble: 2x District Champion, 2022, 2023 2x State qualifier, 2022, 2023
- Solo: 1x District runner-up, 2023, 1x State qualifier, 2023

United PDX 06 Premier

May 2019 - April 2023

Club Soccer

Played in four different teams, the last being the 2nd-tier Premier team