

# Imanol Saldana

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## EDUCATION

### The University of Texas at Dallas

*Bachelor's in Computer Science*

Richardson, TX

*Graduated Dec 2025*

- Relevant Coursework: Software Engineering Methodologies, Advanced Algorithms, Database Systems (SQL, ER Modeling), Data Analysis (Python, Pandas, R)

## EXPERIENCE

### Professional Experience

#### Freeman

Dallas, TX

*Associate Data Analyst*

*Jan 2026 – Present*

- Leading documentation of 100+ material master data attributes across 4 legacy and S/4HANA systems, establishing data governance framework that supports enterprise-wide decision-making and cross-system data consistency.
- Supporting data quality validation during S/4HANA migration of 25,000+ material records, ensuring accurate hierarchy mapping and maintaining operational continuity across sales and supply chain operations.
- Developing Python scripts to automate data validation and cleaning tasks, reducing manual processing time while improving accuracy in identifying data quality issues and anomalies.
- Collaborating cross-functionally with Sales, Materials Management, and IT stakeholders to align data standards, document anomalies through Excel-based reports, and establish governance policies supporting data-informed decisions.

#### Freeman

Dallas, TX

*Data Operations Analyst (Part-Time)*

*Aug 2025 – Jan 2026*

- Managed and updated 100+ material master records including critical attributes for sizing and supply chains, supporting company-wide S/4HANA transformation and data standardization initiatives.
- Developed Python scripts using pandas to automate data validation, corrections, and quality reporting, improving efficiency of data quality checks and ensuring accuracy of material master records.
- Identified and corrected 1,000+ data integrity errors through automated validation scripts, preventing downstream system failures and maintaining supply chain data accuracy.

#### Freeman

Dallas, TX

*Master Materials Data Intern*

*May 2025 – Aug 2025*

- Designed and implemented a new enterprise data field in SAP, integrating with 3+ downstream systems and preventing mismatches across sales and supply chain operations.
- Led cross functional requirements gathering with Sales, Materials Management, and IT, translating business needs into technical specifications and ensuring adoption across teams.
- Validated and migrated 2,000+ records during the transition to SAP S/4HANA, maintaining 100% integrity of critical material master data.
- Collaborated in Agile Scrum sprints, contributing to backlog refinement and process improvements that accelerated bug resolution speed by 10%.

## Academic Projects

### Autonomous Robotics Navigation Project

University of Texas at Dallas / Sensori Robotics

*Developer – Implementation & Documentation*

*Aug 2025 - Dec 2025*

- Developed reinforcement learning navigation system for legged ground robot using Isaac Lab/Sim, implementing custom reward functions, termination conditions, and penalty structures in Python to train edge-following behaviors for outdoor maintenance tasks.
- Designed and trained RL policies through iterative experimentation, analyzing simulation performance data and creating visualizations to evaluate agent behavior across varying terrain conditions and edge-following scenarios.
- Documented system architecture showing integration between perception inputs (LiDAR, proprioception), navigation logic, and motor control, creating technical references and onboarding materials for future development.

- Implemented simulation-based validation workflows using scenario checks and scripted test runs, establishing evaluation methodology aligned with robotics and reinforcement learning best practices.

### Dallas Crime Effect on Housing Price

*Developer*

University of Texas at Dallas

Oct 2024

- Cleaned and analyzed 20k+ crime and housing records in R, building regression and classification models (including linear regression, random forest, and k-NN) to predict housing price trends based on crime density and location factors.
- Developed ggplot2 dashboards to visualize geographic and statistical correlations, identifying spatial patterns between crime rates and housing costs across Dallas neighborhoods.
- Delivered findings through technical report documenting data preprocessing, feature engineering, model evaluation, and interactive visualizations.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Programming & Analysis:** Python (Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib), R (ggplot2, tidyverse), SQL, Java, C++

**Machine Learning & Data Science:** Scikit-learn, Reinforcement Learning (Isaac Lab/Sim), Statistical Modeling, Feature Engineering, Data Visualization

**Tools & Platforms:** Git, SAP S/4HANA, SQLAlchemy, Jupyter, Unix/Linux, LaTeX

## ACHIEVEMENTS

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**Academic Excellence Recipient:** The University of Texas at Dallas