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Education

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Aug. 2024 - May 2028

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics

Champaign, Illinois

• Pending transfer to Mathematics & Computer Science major (Fall 2025)

Relevant Coursework

- Introduction to Programming (Kotlin), Introduction to C++ Programming, Discrete Mathematics
- Upcoming: Data Structures & Algorithms, Software Design, Computer Architecture, Linear Algebra with Proofs

Experience

AthXcel May 2024 – Present

Software Engineer Intern

Remote / Round Lake, IL

- Engineered and restructured OpenAI prompts, reducing token usage by over 25% and lowering API costs.
- Performed end-to-end feature testing and database validation to ensure consistent user experience and data integrity.
- Collaborated across teams using **Jira** and Slack, contributing to product planning and roadmap prioritization.
- Took on product management responsibilities by identifying bottlenecks, suggesting improvements, and tracking feature delivery.

Siebel School of Computing and Data Science

Jan. 2025 – Present

CS 124 Tutor (Java / Kotlin)

Champaign, IL

- Tutored freshmen in the CS 124 introductory programming course at UIUC.
- Assisted students with debugging, design concepts, and course infrastructure.

Projects

UIUC Note Share (Campus Notes Platform)

2025

- Currently building a full-stack web app for UIUC students to upload, share, and access class notes.
- Engineered the backend in **Spring Boot** (Kotlin) with **PostgreSQL**, **Redis**, and Microsoft OAuth for secure access.
- Implemented Cloudflare R2 for file storage, presigned URL uploads, and Turnstile CAPTCHA for abuse prevention.
- In development right now with plans to deploy for beta access soon.

${\bf Tasklight} \ (macOS \ Productivity \ App)$

2025

- Developed a Spotlight-style task capture app using Go and React (Wails) to instantly log tasks to Notion.
- Integrated Notion OAuth, Apple Keychain token storage, global keyboard shortcuts, and **OpenAI**-powered NLP.

Technical Skills

Languages: Kotlin / Java, Python, C++, SQL, JavaScript, Go

Frameworks & Tools: Spring Boot, Cloudflare R2 (AWS S3 SDK), React, Docker, Git, Flask, Excel, Jira

Leadership

Grant Community High School

2023 - 2024

Baseball Team Captain

Fox Lake, IL

- Led varsity team as captain, promoting sportsmanship and earning conference sportsmanship award.
- Demonstrated leadership through consistent communication, training support, and peer mentorship.

Buona Beef

Jun. 2022 – Aug. 2024

Guest Service Trainer

Lakemoor, IL

- Coached 100+ new employees on company policies, customer interaction, and restaurant procedures.
- Assisted with the grand opening of 3 new store locations in collaboration with the corporate team.
- Delivered top-tier guest service in a fast-paced, high-pressure environment.