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Education

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign   **Aug. 2024 – Dec. 2027**
Bachelor of Science in Mathematics   *Champaign, Illinois*
- Pending transfer to Mathematics & Computer Science major (December 2025)
- **3.96 GPA**; Elsie Thomas Fraser Award Winner; Dean's List; Habitat for Humanity

Relevant Coursework

- Data Structures & Algorithms, Introduction to Programming (Kotlin), Introduction to C++ Programming, Discrete Mathematics

Experience

AthXcel   **May 2025 – Present**
Product Manager   *Remote / Round Lake, IL*
- Own product roadmap and prioritization, aligning engineering, design, and leadership teams with business goals.
- Directed cross-team execution via **Jira** and Slack, driving delivery of features across mobile and web platforms.
- Conducted feature validation and user testing to ensure athlete and coach satisfaction.

Software Engineer Intern   **May 2025 – Aug. 2025**
- Optimized **OpenAI**-powered prompt design, reducing token usage by **25%+** and cutting API costs.
- Performed feature testing and **PostgreSQL** database validation to ensure consistent data integrity.

Siebel School of Computing and Data Science   **Jan. 2025 – Present**
*CS 124 Tutor (**Java** / **Kotlin**)*   *Champaign, IL*
- Tutor freshmen in UIUC's CS 124 programming course, assisting with debugging, design concepts, and course infrastructure.

Leadership

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.

Projects

Tasklight *(macOS Productivity App)*   **2025**
- Developed a Spotlight-style task capture app using **Go** and **React** (Wails) to instantly log tasks to Notion.
- Built a companion API service in **Spring Boot** that proxies requests to **OpenAI**, letting users either supply their own API key or use a quota-limited shared key managed by me.
- Integrated Notion OAuth, Apple Keychain token storage, global keyboard shortcuts, and **OpenAI**-powered NLP.

Self-Hosted APIs *(Spring Boot & Flask Services)*   **2025**
- Developed a suite of custom APIs in **Kotlin (Spring Boot)** and **Python (Flask)** for personal productivity and hobby projects.
- Containerized services with **Docker**, deployed to a self-hosted **TrueNAS** server, and exposed securely through **Cloudflare Tunnels**.
- Implemented public endpoints (e.g., Goodreads "current read" fetcher, word search generator) and private services for a smart mirror and **Tasklight** integration.
- Applied best practices including idempotent design, OAuth/Keychain security, quota management, and unit tests with JUnit & MockMvc.

Technical Skills

Languages: Kotlin / Java, Python, C++, SQL, TypeScript, Go
Frameworks & Tools: Spring Boot, Cloudflare R2 (AWS S3 SDK), React, Docker, Git, Flask, Excel, Jira