

ISHANA SHASTRI

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Self-driven freshman attending the Massachusetts Institute of Technology interested in applying artificial intelligence to healthcare with extensive experience in research and engineering projects

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

Candidate for B.S. in Computer Science (Course 6-3) and Math (18) with Minor in Biomedical Engineering (20) Expected 2023

Current Courses: Intro to Algorithms, Real Analysis, Intro to Probability, Engineering Innovation & Design, Minds & Machines

Past Courses: Differential Equations, Elementary Discrete Math, Intro to CS & Programming

Poolesville High School

Poolesville, MD

Science, Math, and Computer Science Magnet Program • 3.96/4.0 GPA, 4.82/4.0 WPGA • 36/36 ACT

May 2019

Relevant Coursework: Vector Calculus, Fundamentals of Computer Science (Python), Algorithms & Data Structures (Java),

Networking, Principles of Engineering, Mechanics, Electricity & Magnetism, Single-Variable Calculus, AP Statistics

EXPERIENCE

Machine Learning Research at the Health Analytics Group at IBM Research

Cambridge, MA

Undergraduate Researcher

January 2019 – Present

- Developed a distance dependent Chinese restaurant process (ddCRP) Gibbs sampler for 3D mesh segmentation in Python

Bioinformatics Research at Fondazione Bruno Kessler (FBK)

Casez, TN, Italy

WebValley 2019 Research Fellow

June 2019 – July 2019

- Built a comprehensive predictor of cardiovascular diseases using Convolutional Neural Networks, U-Nets, Autoencoders, Siamese Networks, and other machine learning techniques on ultrasound images, patient data, and the euroSCORE metric
- Led a team of four in developing preprocessing and post-training analysis algorithms using UMAPs, ROCs, and the f1 score

Machine Learning Research at the Medical Imaging Lab at George Washington University (GWU)

Washington, DC

High School Researcher

July 2018 – October 2018

- Independently developed a fast, sensitive, and non-invasive state-of-the-art machine learning algorithm to detect breast tumors in mammograms using fully convolutional neural networks programmed in MATLAB

Software Engineering Client Project

Poolesville, MD

Project Manager and Software Developer

March 2017 – June 2017

- Designed, programmed, and implemented an attendance log software in Java to ease front office processes at school
- Authored proposal (SPMP) and testing requirement document (SRS) to specify deliverables and deadlines for the project

LEADERSHIP

FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC) Team 4099

Poolesville, MD

Mentor and Whole Team Captain

October 2016 – Present

- Provide mechanical and programming expertise to facilitate new team member learning
- Led a team of over 60 students in applying for corporate sponsorships and designing, prototyping, and building a \$30,000 World Championship-level robot to participate in the year's competition

Girls in Engineering/Girls Just Want to Compute

Germantown, MD

Founder and Teacher

April 2017 – Present

- Design and deliver curriculum about various engineering and computer science concepts for K-8 girls interested in STEM
- Wrote a grant proposal and was awarded \$6.5k in funding from the Maryland State Department of Education

STEM Advocacy

Washington, DC

Individual Advocate

June 2018 – August 2019

- Coordinated meetings with Congressmen to discuss allocating STEM funding in underserved areas
- Contributed to the increased funding of ESSA Title IV, Part A and the Senate reauthorization of Perkins Act

AWARDS

International: Intel ISEF 3rd Place in Translational Medical Science Category, FIRST World Championships Qualifying Team

National: Regeneron Science Talent Search Scholar, NCWIT Aspirations in Computing (Maryland Affiliate, National Honorable Mention), U.S. Presidential Scholar Semifinalist, Coca-Cola Scholar National Semifinalist

SKILLS

Programming (advanced): Python, Java, MATLAB, HTML, CSS, Jupyter Notebook, GitHub, TensorFlow, Keras, NumPy, Pandas

Programming (familiar): C, C++, Arduino C, Mathematica, JavaScript, PyTorch, React, Swift, Kotlin

Other: Figma, InDesign, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, After Effects, SOLIDWORKS, OnShape

OTHER INTERESTS: Entrepreneurship, Indian Fusion Dance, Classical Piano, Graphic Design, Skateboarding, Spanish, Italian