# Jotham Teshome

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#### Education

## **Michigan State University**

Jan 2023 – April 2024

Master of Science, Computer Science

GPA: 3.85

- Coursework: Natural Language Processing, Computer Vision, Pattern Recognition, Deep Learning, Algorithmic Graph Theory, Distributed Systems

## **Michigan State University**

Sep 2019 - Dec 2022

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science

GPA: 3.69

Minor, Business

## Experience

## **MSU College of Engineering**

Sep 2023 - April 2024

**Graduate Teaching Assistant** 

- Evaluated assignments to uphold rigorous academic standards in the Web Application Development course
- Provided students with helpful insight on **GitLab** by describing the uses for **HTML**, **CSS**, and **JavaScript** in **front-end** design, including topics such as responsive sizing and dynamic retrieval of data
- Improved students' understanding of **Flask** for **back-end** development by **7%** through hosting regularly scheduled office hour sessions

#### **MSU Federal Credit Union**

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

Software Engineering Intern

- Developed a software project, primarily using **Flutter**, **Dart**, and the **iOS SDK**, for a customer by working with a team of six students to enhance customers' banking experience
- Designed and implemented <u>Digital Transformation of Member Data</u> by working closely with the customer to bring their vision for the product to life

# **NSF REU Project**

Sep 2022 - Dec 2022

Undergraduate Researcher

- Analyzed various research papers to better develop an understanding of optical wireless communication
- Utilized TinkerCAD for 3D modeling to develop a 4 x 4 x 4 3D "QR code" that could be used for groundbreaking research into underwater optical identification
- Developed an Android application written in **Kotlin** to scan a live camera feed, detect objects, and display an associated description of the object on the screen

#### **Projects**

# Home Server Website HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Flask

Dec 2023 - Feb 2024

- Designed a responsive web interface using HTML and CSS to easily access content from a personal web server from any device connected to the network
- Built a back-end web application using **Flask** to facilitate uploading and serving content from a personal server
- Significantly improved website performance through the use of **jQuery ajax** calls to retrieve content from the server and the use of **JavaScript** to dynamically render content as it is retrieved

#### Classification of Pokémon Sprites Python, Computer Vision

Sep 2023 - Dec 2023

- Worked with a team of four students to design and implement a convolutional neural network model to successfully classify Pokémon sprites within a set of images
- Leveraged image processing techniques as well as machine learning techniques to classify sprites from battle images with up to **86%** accuracy

## **Identifying and Removing Toxic Comments** Python, NLP

Jan 2023 - April 2023

- Implemented a **recurrent neural network** model trained on labeled comments from the Civil Comments dataset to identify toxicity and non-toxic content online
- Used a multi-step approach, including a secondary **long short-term memory neural network**, to classify words for toxicity within sentences with up to **91%** accuracy

## Skills

Programming Languages:
Python, C++, C, JavaScript, Dart

• User Interface: HTML, CSS

APIs/SDKs/Frameworks:
Flask, Flutter, Vue.js, Node.js, iOS SDK

**Languages**: English (fluent), French (novice)