Computer Science @ UIUC

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

CHAMPAIGN, IL

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science | Statistics Minor | Dean's List

Graduating May 2025

ABOUT

An enterprising self starter with a track record of innovating solutions to abstract problems & marketing their benefits **WORK EXPERIENCE**

JUSTPAID (Y-Combinator Startup Winter 2022 Batch)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Software Engineer Intern

January 2023 - Present

- Leveraged prompt engineering to enhance current chatbot service and performed thorough tests on OpenAI Playground
- Programmed unit tests using Python and Django for Checkbook API and resolved software bugs using Sentry.io
- Chosen by the CEO to program voice-activated, financial iOS chatbot in tandem with Apple's novel visionOS technology

DISRUPTION LAB (UIUC Academic Unit)

CHAMPAIGN, IL

Software Engineer

[AMD Malware Detection Project]

September 2023 - Present

- Collaborating with AMD (Advanced Micro Devices) to collect hardware performance counter data for malware detection
- Leveraging dynamic analysis to develop a machine learning model that pinpoints malware instances in AMD hardware

[Reyes Coca-Cola Bottling Project]

January 2023 - May 2023

- Utilized Python, Snowflake, and data science to identify prominent patterns in machine malfunctions for Reyes Coca-Cola Bottling (client) & presented telling trends crucial to their understanding of factory failures during weekly presentations
- Visited the manufacturing plant and consulted with the engineers to learn about the internal processes of the facility

[Seed2Sale Illinois Blockchain Project]

September 2022 - December 2022

- Designed & implemented a blockchain based solution for Seed to Sale tracking of cannabis for a federal agency
- Developed smart contracts using Solidity and the TableLand API & communicated progress during weekly client calls

JUNI LEARNING Computer Science Instructor (Part Time)

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

March 2022 - Present

June 2020 - August 2020

- Teaching 250+ individual sessions of Data Science, Java, Python, and C++ to 10 students (elementary to high school ages)
- Took initiative to curate a coding question bank for homework exercises, which was well-received by 450+ instructors

IBM *Technology Intern*

SAN JOSE, CA

• Built a program that recognizes images of handwritten digits using TensorFlow & Python

• Completed AI-related mathematical exercises involving optimization & back propagation

MISCELLANEOUS TECHNOLOGY EXPERIENCES

• Software Engineering Fellow @ Uber, Pioneer Program Member @ Y Combinator, Coding Teacher @ Girls Who Code TECHNICAL PROJECTS

- **Syllabus Parser April 2022** (Python, Google Tesseract, Google Calendar API):
 - Collaborated with a Meta research scientist & led 2 students to create a syllabus reader as part of the AI4ALL program
 - Drove the design & implementation of the program, which parses a pictorial, structured syllabus & automatically creates Google Calendar events based on assignments & their corresponding due dates
- Study Set Timer Feature for Quizlet Inc. January 2021 (Python, Flask, HTML, SQL):
 - Coded a timer feature that provides feedback according to the time it takes a student to study a set of terms/concepts
 - Marketed feature's benefits to the Vice President of Engineering at Quizlet Inc. & forwarded to Quizlet's product teams
- Tennis Court Reservation System for San Ramon City September 2020 (Python, Flask, HTML, SQL, CSS):
 - Built a reservation system that allows users to reserve courts, cancel reservations, view court activity, and review app
 - Successfully communicated system's benefits & persuaded the San Ramon Recreation Department to adopt the idea after 6 months of deliberation

SKILLS

 $\bullet \ \ Proficient: C++ \ | \ Intermediate: Java, Python, Flask, C, SQL, Swift, iOS \ Dev, NumPy, Matplotlib, Systems, HTML/CSS \ And Matp$

AWARDS

• FIRST Tech Challenge Google Robotics Competition: Finalist (2019) | American Mathematics Competition: Honors (2017)