KATIE MACALINTAL

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EDUCATION

Middlebury College

Middlebury, VT

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science

Expected May 2024

GPA: 3.97/4.0 (College Scholar: Highest Academic Honor)

Relevant Courses: Data Structures, Algorithms and Complexity, Systems Programming, Computer Networks, Machine Learning, Crash Course in Systems Security, Software Development (Fall 2023)

SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS

Languages: Python, JAVA, C, HTML/CSS, JavaScript

Tools & Technologies: Git, Linux, Visual Studio Code, Vim, Azure, Postman, Wireshark

EXPERIENCE

Microsoft Redmond, WA

SWE Intern for AI Cognitive Services

Jun 2023 - Present

- Integrating team's summarization capabilities with GPT models in Python via plugins and function calling to lower the cost of generating high quality and accurate summaries in a chat environment
- Exploring personalized and secure GPT experiences by integrating the GPT model with Graph API capabilities and user authentication

Middlebury's Computer Science Department

Middlebury, VT

Course Assistant for Introduction to Computing in Python

Sep 2021 - May 2023

- Worked with up to 15 students to improve their foundational algorithmic coding skills during two-hour-long office hours
- Asked students guiding questions to help them debug their code and promote active learning, resulting in a deeper understanding of key coding concepts and improvement in their problem-solving abilities

Microsoft Bellevue, WA

Explore Intern (SWE + PM) for AI Cognitive Services

May 2022 - Aug 2022

- Designed and developed a full stack website using React.js with two podmates for internal employees and 1P customers to demo our team's document and conversation summarization capabilities
- Called asynchronous summarization methods through REST API for users to easily and efficiently interact with services without needing external API tools, creating a more streamlined user experience

PROJECTS

Machine Learning Independent Project: Classifying Classical Music (Python)

Apr 2023 - May 2023

- Utilized the librosa library to extract Mel-frequency cepstral coefficients (MFCCs) from the MusicNet dataset
- Developed a recursive neural network with long short term memory layers using the PyTorch library and trained it on MFCCs to classify whether a piece of music was composed by Beethoven
- Attained an average testing accuracy of 75%, surpassing the base rate of 48%

Systems Programming: Chat Server and Chat Client (C)

Dec 2022

- Created a command-line based chat room on a local server utilizing ports, allowing multiple clients to connect and change their identifying nicknames
- Implemented multi-threading and mutual exclusion mechanisms to ensure efficient and synchronous communication of new connections, disconnections, nickname changes, and message exchanges to all clients

Systems Programming: Buffered Input/Output (C)

Oct 2022 - Nov 2022

- Implemented functions analogous to open, close, read, write, and lseek
- Reduced number of system calls by strategically buffering data, resulting in improved overall performance
- Designed and executed comprehensive test cases to validate the behavior of all implemented functions, ensuring the reliability and correctness of the buffered functions

LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITIES

President and Treasurer, Middlebury's Women in Computer Science Club

Jan 2022 - May 2023

Conferences: Grace Hopper 2021 Scholar/2022 Attendee/2023 Virtual Attendee, Rewriting the Code 2023 Career Summit, Tapia 2022 Scholar

Organizations: CodePath Student, Rewriting the Code Member, MiddCORE Summer Intern Lab 2021 Alum, Middlebury's South East Asian Society Member, Middlebury's Women of Color Member