

# Kyler Sood

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Innovative ChemE/CS sophomore seeking a rigorous internship in engineering, machine learning, or quantitative trading. I bring proven technical, collaborative, and leadership experience and wish to apply my passion for engineering in a challenging environment while producing results and developing my career.

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## EDUCATION

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, TWIN CITIES** Expected Sep 2021 – May 2025 | Cumulative GPA: 4.00 | 124 credits  
**HONORS B.S. IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING**

### Undergraduate Courses

CHEN 2001 - Mass and Energy Balances • MATS 3011 - Materials Sci and Eng • MATH 5707 - Graph Theory  
CSCI 4041H - Honors Algorithms and Data Structures • MATH 5588 - Partial Differential Equations I/II

### Graduate Courses

CSCI 5525 - Advanced Machine Learning • EE 5271 - Robot Vision • EE 5241 - Optimal Control and RL  
CSCI 5980 - NLP with Deep Learning • CSCI 5527 - Deep Learning

**SCIENCE HILL HIGH SCHOOL** Aug 2018 - May 2021 | Johnson City, TN

**VALEDICTORIAN AND GRADUATE IN THREE YEARS AT AGE 15. UW GPA: 4.00. W GPA: 4.70. 35 ACT COMPOSITE.**

Dual enrollment (48 credits) at Rice University, East TN State University, Austin Peay State University with 4.0 GPA.  
Completed 11 AP courses (46 credits) with average exam score 4.82/5.

President and founder of Coding Club, where I taught 30 high school students to code in Python.

### Relevant Courses

Organic Chemistry I/II + Lab • Abstract Linear Algebra • Numerical Linear Algebra • Computational Physics

## TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

### DEEP REINFORCEMENT LEARNING

Research with a postdoctorate on stratification methods to improve agent performance in winding episodic tasks.  
Implementing DRL algorithms for control and decision processes using RLLib, OpenAI Gym, and Stable Baselines.

### TEACHING ASSISTANT

TA for CSCI 1933, a Java algorithms and data structures course. Led labs and office hours, produced lab and project write-ups, and gave supplementary 1:1 instruction for students.

### SMALLSAT LAB - ADCS GROUP

Developed MATLAB code to numerically simulate satellite's power states and pointing. Modeling solar radiation torque using Altair CFD and developing onboard ADCS service using C++.

### COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS

Computational simulations in Fortran for n-body problem, heat transfer, and Lorentz force. Studied theory of numerical methods for differentiation, integration, and ODEs.

## PROJECTS

### DEEP LEARNING

Surveyed ML techniques including random forests, DNDTs, gradient boosting, neural networks, and bagging ensembles to predict water potability. Using PyTorch, developed CNNs and transfer learning to identify flowers.

### FEATURE SELECTION

Using numerical linear algebra, I developed a machine learning model to filter relevant features from multifaceted data. Using PCA, SFS, and logistic regression, it predicts tumor malignancy and heart attacks with 97% accuracy.

## KEY SKILLS

### PROGRAMMING

Algorithms/Data Structures in Java, Python • Pytorch, Scikit-Learn, SciPy, NumPy, Pandas, NetworkX • RLLib, Gym

### APPLIED MATH

Numerical Linear Algebra • Deep/Reinforcement Learning • Graph Theory • Numerical Methods for ODEs, PDEs