

# LAWRENCE TSAI

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## HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATION

- SWE Intern at **Capital One** (NYC, Summer 2023) **seeking New Grad SWE Roles for Jan/Feb 2024** (Graduating in **Dec 2023**)
- **University of Toronto Math & Physics** student with a **Computer Science Minor** who is expanding knowledge in **ML & Finance**
- Additional experience in a **seed-stage Robotics startup**, **IT Support**, **ML Research**, **Satellite Design**, & **Solar Racing Strategy**

## EDUCATION

<b>University of Toronto - Trinity College</b> <i>HBSc Candidate- Math (Major), Physics (Major), Computer Science (Minor), 3.95 CS GPA</i>	September 2020 - December 2023 Toronto, ON, Canada
<b>Council Rock High School North</b> <i>Diploma with Distinguished Honours in Gifted Program GPA: 4.283/4.0 SAT: 1580/1600 ACT: 35/36</i>	August 2016 - June 2020 Newtown, PA, USA

## PROFESSIONAL/RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

<b>Capital One</b> <i>Software Engineer Intern</i>	June 2023 - Present Manhattan, New York City, NY, USA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· On the <b>Payments Intelligence</b> Team working on migrating transaction cache data from <b>Redis</b> to <b>DynamoDB</b> to save <b>\$100,000+</b> annually</li><li>· <b>Redesigning &amp; Implementing</b> the database for millisecond(s) latency for our ML model for over <b>180 billion transactions</b> annually</li><li>· Working with a <b>gRPC API</b> with <b>Jenkins</b> and utilizing <b>AWS</b> Products such as <b>DynamoDB</b>, <b>EC2</b>, <b>ECS</b>, <b>Fargate</b>, <b>S3</b>, <b>Boto3</b></li><li>· First Place out of 36 teams in Intern Hackathon, created a Slackbot to summarize messages using <b>NLP</b> and <b>ML</b> over a weekend</li></ul>	
<b>Cognitive Neuroscience &amp; Sensorimotor Integration Laboratory (University of Toronto)</b> <i>ML Research Assistant</i>	May 2023 - Present Toronto, ON Canada
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Researching the Dorsal &amp; Ventral Streams for human grasp point determination &amp; object recognition with explainable <b>CNNs</b> &amp; <b>EEG</b> data</li><li>· Hypothesis: "Differences between the two streams are due to differences in how the two streams are optimized (not by different initializations)"</li></ul>	
<b>University of Toronto Biology Information Technology Department</b> <i>Information Technology Support Assistant</i>	September 2022 - April 2023 Toronto, ON Canada
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Working with <b>Linux</b> environments, <b>TCP/IP</b> Protocols, &amp; <b>Bash</b> scripting to create embedded systems for the department</li><li>· Maintaining department hardware and conducting <b>Penetration Tests</b> to find vulnerabilities in for 3 biological science departments</li></ul>	
<b>Promise Robotics</b> <i>Software Engineer Intern</i>	May 2022 - August 2022 Edmonton, AB, Canada
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· 4 month internship in software (<b>Python</b>, <b>Django</b>, <b>React</b>, <b>Node.js</b>, <b>Docker</b>, <b>Databases</b>, <b>Robotics</b>, <b>CAD</b>); <a href="https://promiserobotics.com/">https://promiserobotics.com/</a></li><li>· Top intern contributor in creating algorithms for robotic preprocessing/sequencing with applied Physics and <b>ML</b> for automated construction</li><li>· Developed and reviewed full-stack integrations with databases, security, &amp; 3D manipulation (<b>Open CASCADE</b>, <b>Ifc</b>, <b>Quaternions</b>)</li></ul>	
<b>Blue Sky Solar Racing</b> <i>Senior Strategy Engineer</i>	May 2021 - April 2023 Toronto, ON, Canada
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Optimized the construction, telemetry, &amp; performance of our solar car for the American and World Solar Competition along with fabrication</li><li>· Conducted research on the implementation of bifacial solar cells and created simulations of cell output from weather and geographic data</li><li>· Created a parallel computed simulation (<b>MATLAB</b>, <b>Python</b>, <b>Ansys</b>, <b>CAD</b>) in a StratApp for future gens; <a href="http://blueskysolar.utoronto.ca/">http://blueskysolar.utoronto.ca/</a></li></ul>	
<b>University of Toronto Aerospace Team</b> <i>Space Systems Optics Team Member</i>	May 2022 - May 2023 Toronto, ON, Canada
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· Development of a hyperspectral imaging CubeSat to measure anthropogenic gas emissions across Ontario, Canada. Set to launch in 2025.</li><li>· Numerical analysis (<b>Python</b>) and R&amp;D for optical components (grisms and holographic gratings); Github: <a href="https://github.com/spacesys-finch">https://github.com/spacesys-finch</a></li><li>· Leading a team to design test plans for the optical bench (imaging, components, MTF) for the satellite; <a href="https://www.utat.ca/space-systems">https://www.utat.ca/space-systems</a></li></ul>	

## PROJECTS

<b>Quick Ocular Movements Detection</b>	July 2022-August 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· A webcam screening tool to detect strabismus (eye misalignment) for Dr. Etienne Benard-Seguin and Jeremy Moreau (University of Calgary)</li><li>· Used <b>Python</b>, <b>OpenCV</b>, <b>MediaPipe</b>, <b>React</b>, <b>Node.js</b>, <b>CSS</b>, <b>HTML</b>, <b>Figma</b> to give results at 4 mm tolerance at 95% confidence</li><li>· Conducted medical research and pitched to Neurotech professionals; Github: <a href="https://github.com/lt77777/Quick-Ocular-Movements-Detection">https://github.com/lt77777/Quick-Ocular-Movements-Detection</a></li></ul>	
<b>Amigos Friend Making Webapp</b>	September 2021-December 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>· A webapp built using <b>Java</b>, <b>Spring Framework</b>, <b>Javascript</b>, <b>CSS</b>, <b>HTML</b>, <b>Figma</b> to find matches in a database of potential friends</li><li>· Implemented a weighted matching algorithm using user metadata to be used through <b>Thymeleaf</b> generated webpages deployed on <b>Azure</b></li><li>· Designed the entire software model and frontend design to achieve an A in the course; Github: <a href="https://github.com/lt77777/Amigos-App">https://github.com/lt77777/Amigos-App</a></li></ul>	

## SKILLS

<b>Software Skills</b>	<b>Python</b> , <b>Java</b> , <b>C</b> , <b>AWS</b> , <b>Databases</b> , <b>Git</b> , <b>Bash</b> , <b>MATLAB</b> , <b>Django</b> , <b>Docker</b> , <b>Linux</b> , <b>Figma</b>
<b>Certifications</b>	<b>Bloomberg Market Concepts</b> , <b>AWS Cloud Practitioner</b> (In Progress), <b>Self Driving Cars</b> by UofT (In progress)