

# Michael Li

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## EDUCATION

### Carnegie Mellon University

*Expected Graduation: May 2026*

- **B.S in Computer Science and Statistics & Machine Learning**
- **Coursework:** Artificial Intelligence, Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning, Data Structures and Algorithms, Functional Programming, Linear Algebra, Probability and Statistical Inference

## SKILLS

- **Languages:** Python, C/C++, Java, C#, Javascript, HTML, CSS, SQL, R,
- **Frameworks/Libraries/Tools:** TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, React, Typescript, Selenium, Node.js, Express.js, Flask, Django, PostgreSQL, Docker, Git, Figma, Postman, Postico, Unity

## EXPERIENCE

### Machine Learning Engineer Intern, Epirus

*June 2024 - Present*

- Solving distribution shift challenges for drone detection via diffusion-based test-time domain adaptation in **PyTorch**.
- Deploying end-to-end deep reinforcement learning to train an agent in optimal engagement policies for drone swarms within a custom-built 3D simulation environment in **Python**.

### Software Development Engineer Intern, Beaver Health

*May 2023 - August 2023*

- Developed a custom lightweight, generative AI dialogue model framework using GPT-4 with **React**, **Typescript** and **Express.js** to digitize evidence-based health interventions

### Researcher, University of Victoria

*July 2022 - May 2023*

- Coded, trained, and evaluated **Temporal Convolutional Networks (TCN)**, **CNNs**, and **LSTMs** using **Keras** and **Tensorflow** to predict COVID outcomes based on U.S. county demographic data
- The TCN model outperformed the mean absolute error (MAE) of the CDC's ensemble model by a statistically significant difference (0.0588% to 0.0078%)
- Published work as first author in Journal of Global Health: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC10208648/>

### Creator & Software Developer, COVIDCatcher

*December 2021 – May 2023*

- Implemented a low-cost, multimodal ML-based web app to detect COVID-19 symptoms and coughs using **VGG-19** and **XGBoost** with **Python**, **PyTorch** and **Tensorflow**
- Developed and deployed a COVID-19 forecast dashboard using **React**, **Flask** and **AWS** to display COVID cases for every county in the United States

### Software Engineer, Amador Valley Robotics (AVBotz)

*August 2018 – May 2022*

- Developed **OpenCV/C++** object detection pipelines, integrating real-time outputs into **ROS** vision control nodes for sub navigation.
- Designed **YOLOv5** and **DetNet** workflows using **PyTorch** and automated training set creation with **Python** and OpenCV.

## PROJECTS

- **Shipworthy** Engineered a real-time ship simulator using **OpenCV** and **XQuartz**, extracted key data points from video feed to have real steering wheel manipulate physics and movement in Unity.
- **Stance** Created full-stack web application using **Python**, **Flask**, **scikit-learn**, **LIME** to detect online hate speech. Optimized **NLP** classification model and integrated interactive visualizations to enable transparent analyses.
- **Ad Lunam** Engineered immersive **VR** space exploration game using **C#** and **Unity** with procedurally generated planets and asteroid fields. Implemented physics-based flight mechanics and planetary orbits through extensive scripting.
- **The Roast** Built a daily personalized newsletter generator using **React**, **Python**, **Flask** and **PostgreSQL** to automatically curate and summarize content from list of sources.

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- **Hackathons:** **HackItShipIt** 1st Place (Shipworthy), **To the Moon and Hack** 3rd Place (Ad Lunam), **Data Day Grind** Best Data Visualization (Stance)
- **2021 & 2022 California Science and Engineering Fair Poster Presenter** (COVIDCatcher)
- **2021 & 2022 Alameda County Science and Engineering Fair First Place in Computer Science** (COVIDCatcher)
- **2021 Bay Area BioGENEius Challenge Finalist** (COVIDCatcher)