Monika Blakely

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PROFILE

Academic and project-based experience in technical writing, programming, and web development, supported by a background in technical, local government, and educational environments. Fluent in Japanese.

EDUCATION

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

• Master of Science, Management

2023-2025

• Bachelor of Science, Information Technology | Concentration: Cyber Security

2020-2024

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, Java, PHP, SQL, HTML/CSS **Operating Systems:** Linux (Kali, Ubuntu), Windows, macOS

Applications: Packet Tracer, Wireshark, FTK Imager, Nmap, VirtualBox, VMware, Microsoft Office **Skills & Technologies:** IDS/IPS, VLANs, API Integration, Web Development, Database Management **Certifications:** CompTIA Security+, IT Specialist: Python, Microsoft Office Specialist: Word 2010

PROJECTS

Website Redesign

Aug 2023 – May 2024

- Redesigned GMU Golf Club's website with full-stack support and a modernized user interface
- Integrated Stripe for payments and embedded social media feeds using APIs and custom embed codes
- Managed backend membership data and resolved user access issues
- Used Waterfall methodology to coordinate tasks and maintain project timelines

EXPERIENCE

Fairfax City Economic Development, Fairfax, VA

Sep 2024 – Present

Programs Associate

- Administer CRM systems and conduct data audits of 500+ records to identify inconsistencies and improve data integrity
- Manage WordPress content updates and troubleshoot issues to enhance performance, accessibility, and UX

GDIT, Falls Church, VA

Jun 2024 – Present

Public Relations Intern

- Support media strategy and executive communications by managing digital content systems and data analytics tools; received GDIT's Personal Brand Award out of 113 interns (Summer 2024)
- Leverage media monitoring platforms to track news related to IT, AI, and cybersecurity, compiling daily reports to inform leadership on emerging trends
- Maintain and optimize a media contact database of 50+ journalists to support outreach and engagement

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) Board Member: Led recruitment initiatives for Black and African American students in STEM
- Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (LSAMP) Peer Mentor: Provided academic guidance and built community among underrepresented STEM students