

# Mika Shanela Carodan

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## EDUCATION

**University of California, Riverside**

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science with Business Applications

**June 2023**

Cum Laude, GPA 3.84

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Languages** JavaScript, Python, C++, TypeScript, HTML5, CSS  
**Tools** Git, Github, VSCode, Figma, Google Analytics, Postman, Cypress, Jest  
**Technologies** Next.js, React.js, TailwindCSS, Framer Motion, Prisma, MongoDB, NextAuth

## EXPERIENCE

### **Citrus Hack**

**January 2023 – April 2023**

*Lead Software Engineer*

*Riverside, CA*

- Spearheaded front-end development with Next.js, TailwindCSS, Framer Motion for UCR's premier hackathon serving 725+ participants
- Championed a responsive-first approach that resulted in a 98% consistency in user interface rendering across desktops, tablets, and mobile devices
- Maintained website and addressed 88% of user-reported issues, significantly improving overall user experience

### **Northwestern Mutual**

**June 2022 – November 2022**

*Software Engineer Intern*

*Milwaukee, WI*

- Collaborated with product managers and designers in a dual-track agile setting to build the JointWork MVP, an internal matchmaking application to be used by 12,000+ field representatives
- Implemented the app's setup wizard and 4 filtering features using React.js, leading to a 65% reduction in time spent on partner discovery
- Architected the CI/CD pipeline to automate linting and code style consistency using ESLint, Prettier, and Husky, speeding up code reviews by 10+ minutes
- Mentored 17 high school students in learning HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and React for NMTech Outreach

### **Systems Optimization and Computer Architectural Lab**

**April 2021 – August 2021**

*Computer Architecture Research Intern*

*Riverside, CA*

- Designed a runtime modeling system that increased GPU energy efficiency by 18% using CU Masking and HIP
- Conducted power testing of 60 GPU cores through sequential and round-robin scheduling algorithms
- Research Publication: **Energy Efficient Task Graph Execution Using Compute Unit Masking in GPUs**

## PROJECTS

### **bitByBIT** | Next.js, TailwindCSS, Judge0, Google Cloud, Figma

**January - Ongoing**

- Developing a website to improve programming fundamentals for 2000+ UCR students enrolled in intro CS courses
- Working with an 8-person team with weekly scrum meetings and hands-on code review to ensure high-quality code
- Translated Figma designs into fully functional dashboard, profile, and problem pages

### **GarfAI** | Next.js, TailwindCSS, OpenAI, Vercel

**April 2023**

- Created an AI assistant web app with the following features: sentence rewriting, language translation, bill splitting, gift brainstorming, and English writing analysis
- Utilized OpenAI's GPT-3 to optimize personal and academic workflows for 15+ friends

## HACKATHON AWARDS

### **bioLink**

Won Best Overall at BioHack2023

### **wrxSpace**

Won 2nd Place at Northwestern Mutual's Tech Intern Hack 2022

### **ScottyMaps**

Won 'Best Use of Google Cloud' and 'Wolfram Award' at Cutie Hack 2022

### **Planet Her**

Won 'Best UI/UX Hack' and 'Best Space Hack' at Rose Hack 2022