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EDUCATION

University of Iowa Iowa City, IA

Accelerated M.S. in Computer Science

Expected Graduation - 2027

• Accepted into competitive undergraduate to graduate program

Grinnell College

Grinnell, IA

B.A. in Computer Science

Expected Graduation - 2026

- Cumulative GPA: 3.7/4.0, In-major GPA: 3.75/4.0, Deans list all semesters
- Selected Coursework: Computational Methods, Software Design & Development, Operating Systems & Parallel Algorithms, Data Structures & Algorithms, Object-Oriented Programming, Linear Algebra

EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

May 2024 - Dec 2024

ELBICA Lab. Grinnell College

Grinnell, IA

- Developed python software to integrate visual and verbal data stored using distributed representations
- Implemented causal inference models to guide decision-making based on analyzed data
- Utilized OpenCV to break down parts of 2-D graphs to be used for inference

Software Developer, Intern

June 2023 – Aug. 2023

10Pearls

Karachi, Pakistan

- Developed a full-stack fitness-tracking application using Flask REST with JavaScript & PostgreSQL
- Implemented Flask authentication with password hashing for secure user accounts
- Implemented SQLAlchemy ORM resulting in 40% less code & improved query performance

Computer Science Grader

Sep. 2023 – Dec 2024

Grinnell College

Grinnell, IA

- Graded 40+ weekly labs, reading assignments, and projects in Java (DSA), Racket (Functional Programming)
- Debugged code written by students, providing detailed feedback during weekly meetings

PROJECTS

PioneerMart | AWS, React Native, TypeScript, Django, PostgreSQL, Expo, Jest, Nginx

Jan 2025 – present

- Led a team of 4 developers to build an online marketplace app for Grinnell students using agile workflows
- Implemented automated image/text moderation, real-time chat, OTP auth, and AWS S3 file storage
- Grew to 300+ active users within 1 week through campus outreach and rapid iteration

MCMC Cipher Cracker | AWS Lambda, Python, Next.js, TypeScript

August 2024

- Developed a **full-stack** web app to crack substitution ciphers using a **serverless AWS backend** serving a **Next.js** frontend
- ullet Implemented an MCMC-sampling algorithm with custom acceptance probability & cipher space exploration
- Leveraged concurrent Lambda invocations and ChatGPT API to select the most accurate deciphered message

Extracurricular Experience

Pioneer Weekend September 2023

Grinnell College

Grinnell, IA

- Designed an app to reduce college waste with automated listings via the ChatGPT API, winning \$900
- Collaborated w/ a team of 3 developers to present an MVP to a panel of entrepreneurs & college president

MSA President

Aug. 2024 – present

Grinnell College

Grinnell, IA

- Lead the Muslim Student Association w/ an \$11000+ annual operating budget and 70+ active student members
- Organize regular events on campus through collaborative initiatives w/ other organizations

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Proficient: Python, TypeScript, Next.js, Django, React, React Native, Expo

Familiar: AWS, PostgreSQL, Nginx, Jest, Zustand, C, Java, Flask