# Nicolas Ashizawa

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## EDUCATION

## Northeastern University (Khoury College of Computer Science)

Sept. 2021 – May 2026

Candidate Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Boston, MA

GPA: 3.34/4.0

Activities: Japanese Student Association (Secretary, Regional Representative); Society for Asian Scientists/Engineers, Oasis (Collaborative Programming Org)

Waseda University

April. 2023 - August 2023

Exchange Student in the School of Political Science and Economics

Shinjuku, Tokyo, Japan Sept. 2017 - June 2021

Northern Valley Demarest Regional High School High School Diploma

Sept. 2017 - June 2021 Demarest, NJ

Activities: National Honors Society; Varsity Soccer (Co-Captain), Japanese Student Association (President)

# TECH SKILLS AND RELEVENT COURSEWORK

Languages: Python, Java, C++, C#, SQL, C, TypeScript, DrRacket, HTML, MatLab

Coursework: Computing Fundamentals, Object Oriented Design, Embedded System Design, Algorithms and Data,

Programming in C++, Database Design, Computer Systems, Programming Languages

## WORK EXPERIENCE

## University of California, Irvine

June 2024 – October 2024

Research Intern

Irvine. CA

- Designed and developed an interactive predictive city-scale digital twin for natural disaster preparedness and evacuation optimization as a part of the NSF-funded IoT-SITY research program
- $\bullet$  Experimented with and integrated tools such as Unity, PLATEAU SDK, CityGML, OpenStreetMaps, and C# to create AI-enabled agents for running simulations
- Engineered algorithms to optimize agent behavior, simulating real-world responses to emergency scenarios
- Actively communicated project updates through weekly team meetings and contributed to a productive and supportive work environment through effective teamwork

#### Code Ninjas (Programming Education Center)

May 2022 – March 2023

General Program Instructor | Summer Camps Director

Norwood, NJ

- Established a Python, Lua, and C++ curriculum by working collaboratively with a small team to design innovative and engaging programming lessons
- Taught over 150 students across elementary, middle, and high school age groups, keeping topics accessible to diverse coding backgrounds and age groups
- Facilitated student projects using Java and Python to create and modify video games

#### Japan Center for International Exchange

May – August, 2021-2022

Data Management and Organization Intern

New York, NY

- Organized and edited digital files while utilizing interpersonal, verbal, written communication
- Identified, analyzed and corrected data entry errors in organization archives during routine data audits through the use of HTML and WordPress

#### Projects

#### NU SkillMatch Platfom | Python, Flask, MySQL, Streamlit

November - December 2024

- Designed and developed a web platform enabling employers to list jobs and evaluate skill matches with students
- Built a RESTful API with Flask to manage dynamic job postings, student data, and required skills
- Utilized MySQL for relational database management, implementing schemas to handle users, skills, and jobs efficiently
- Integrated advanced skill matching algorithms to compare student and job skillsets, visualizing results with Streamlit and integrated custom radar charts

#### AI Masters a Video Game | Python, NEAT

June - August 2024

• Utilized the NEAT algorithm (NeuroEvolution of Augmenting Topologies) to construct an AI-played Flappy Bird game from scratch