Nicholas Lewis

Aspiring Software Engineer · Backend and Game Dev Focus · Sac State CS Graduate nicholaslewis3452@gmail.com · (916) 666-0510 · Lincoln, CA 95648

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Core Competencies

Recent CS graduate with strong backend and systems knowledge. Experienced in building multiplayer games, cloud-based tools, and scalable APIs. Passionate about performance optimization, game logic, and clean architecture.

- Programming: Java, Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, SQL, C, CUDA
- Cloud/DevOps: Google Cloud, Azure, Docker, Firebase
- Web/API Dev: React Native, React, Node.js, RESTful APIs
- Software Dev: OOP, Code Review, Game Architecture, Debugging, CI/CD
- Mobile Dev: React Native
- Automation: Playwright, Git, Linux, Bash, Parallel Computing
- Methodologies: Agile, SCRUM, Test-Driven Development (TDD)
- Soft Skills: Leadership, Project Management, Problem Solving, Communication

Projects

BigBoom: Multiplayer 3D Tank Game Core Developer Java, OpenGL, UDP, AI Behavior Trees, JBullet Built from scratch with 1K+ LOC in Java. Implemented a reliable UDP-based client-server protocol, frame-synced quaternion rotations, and behavior tree AI for autonomous turrets. Integrated JBullet physics and server-authoritative state replication. Reduced visual jitter in multiplayer synchronization using quaternion interpolation and frame-step logic. GitHub: github.com/nickLewisCSUS/BigBoom

Sac State LIFE Mobile App Team Lead

React Native, Azure, Node.js, SQL, REST APIs

Managed a 4-person dev team. Launched a working MVP with 5+ interactive screens, integrated backend API and secure login, and deployed to Azure. Conducted code reviews and supported CI setup. GitHub: github.com/Sac-State-Mobile-App-The-Nest/SAC-LIFE

Cloud PDF Generation and Delivery Developer

Node.js, Firebase, Docker

Built a LaTeX-powered PDF generator deployed as a Firebase Function and containerized via Docker. Rendered PDFs from dynamic inputs with support for future scaling. GitHub: bit.ly/3QL1rmw

Custom CLI Tool (myxargs) Developer

C, Linux, Bash

Unix-style xargs clone with support for batching (-n), substitution (-I), and command preview (-t). Built comprehensive edge case handling and performance validation tests. *GitHub*: github.com/nickLewisCSUS/XARGS

Experience

${\bf Independent\ Development\ Projects}$

Jan 2023 - Present

- Engineered and deployed RESTful APIs for 3+ full-stack apps with cloud-hosted backends.
- Debugged and optimized production-ready codebases using OOP principles.
- Integrated Firebase Auth, Azure SQL, and Google Cloud Functions across student-facing apps.

Barista — Target, Lincoln, CA

Aug 2021 - Present

- Delivered consistent customer service under fast-paced conditions.
- Trained in multitasking and real-time prioritization handling 50+ transactions per shift.

Education

California State University, Sacramento Graduated May 2025 Bachelor of Science in Computer Science Relevant Coursework: Operating Systems, GPU Programming, Game Architecture

Sierra College Aug 2020 – Dec 2022 Associate of Science in Computer Science and Natural Science