

NIKALI WOOD

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

TARGET

ATLANTA, GA

Guest Advocate

Nov 2021-Present

- Perform sales, guest services tasks, and supervisory functions, ensuring smooth daily operations.
- Trained new team members on company policies, procedures, and customer service skills.

MIST ATLANTA

ATLANTA, GA

Board Member: Competitions Team - Arts Coordinator

Sep 2024-Present

- Contact and finalize judges for all arts categories, including 2D art, 3D art, fashion design, digital art, photography, and culinary arts.
- Ensure students understand submission formatting and deadlines, maintaining effective communication.
- Manage the gallery for preliminary judging and ensure early submissions are reviewed ahead of the competition weekend.
- Oversee interviews for the top 15 students in each category and ensure judges input scores promptly for proper award recognition.

HEADSTARTER AI

ATLANTA, GA

Software Engineering Fellow

Jul 2024- Aug 2024

- Engaged in learning and development on AI technologies.
- Worked on application development, gaining hands-on experience in coding and AI implementation.

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATE (MSA)

ATLANTA, GA

Events Committee Member

Sept 2023- May 2024

- Assisted with the setup and cleanup of events, including galas, dinners, and bake sales, ensuring smooth operations and a welcoming environment.
- Captured key moments by taking videos and photographs to document the event for future promotions and social media.

CARTER'S

ATLANTA, GA

Sales Associate

May 2021- Nov 2021

- Provided customer service in a high-volume children's clothing store.
- Assisted in sales and merchandising, contributing to store profit goals.

EDUCATION

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

ATLANTA, GA

Bachelor of Science, Major in Computer Science

Expected Graduation: May 2025

- GPA: 3.55
- Relevant Coursework: Intro to CS Principles 1 & 2, Theoretical Foundations of Computer Science, Data Structures, Computer Organization and Programming, Operating Systems, Web Programming, Database Systems

SKILLS

- Programming Languages: JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL, Python, PHP, Java, C++
- Web Development: Front-end and back-end development, PHP, CSS, JavaScript
- Tools & Software: Git, Adobe Creative Suite, MySQL, Microsoft Office
- Soft Skills: Team collaboration, leadership, customer service, communication skills

PROJECTS - GitHub: github.com/nikaliwood

- Developed a **SQL database** with a web interface using **PHP**.
- Recreated the popular game **Flappy Bird** using JavaScript.
- Built a **Pantry Tracker app** that monitors household items and tracks usage.
- Developed a **multi-threaded web crawler** to gather data efficiently from multiple websites.
- Designed and maintained a **personal website** to showcase portfolio and technical skills.