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SUMMARY

Software engineer delivering reliable, user-centered web applications end to end; covering system design, scalable API development, secure authentication and authorization, real-time synchronization, and performance optimization.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Expected Graduation May 2027

The University of Texas at Dallas in Richardson, TX

Relevant Coursework: Computer Architecture, Data Structures and Algorithm Analysis

Associate of Science in Computer Science

Graduated August 2025

Dallas College in Dallas, TX

GPA 3.6/4.0

SKILLS

Languages/Technologies: C++, Java, Python, Node.js, TypeScript, MongoDB, Redis, PostgreSQL

Frameworks/Libraries: React, Next.js, Tailwind, Material UI, ExpressJS, Astro

Platforms/DevOps: Vercel, Cloudflare

PROJECTS

Multiplayer Party Games Platform | *Next.js, React, PostgreSQL, TypeScript, Tailwind*

- Developed a multiplayer online platform with lobbies, voting, scoring, rate limiting, and live synchronization to deliver engaging, reliable social gaming experiences.
- Architected responsive front-end and efficient back-end systems that ensured smooth gameplay, seamless cross-device support, and stable deployment.
- Enhanced scalability and security by implementing RBAC, API rate limiting, and database indexing, increasing system resilience and supporting high concurrency.
- Leveraged serverless architecture with Next.js on Vercel to handle game sessions and real-time events, proving lightweight cloud-native solutions can deliver high availability and responsiveness comparable to dedicated servers.

Music Activity Display Platform | *Next.js, TypeScript, MongoDB, Spotify Web API*

- Built a full-stack platform for customizable real-time Spotify activity displays with OAuth authentication, privacy-first controls, and seamless online streaming integration.
- Engineered scalable data flows and secure API integrations that maintained reliability under active usage while supporting personalization and privacy features.
- Implemented real-time state synchronization and caching strategies to ensure low-latency, reliable user experiences.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Bruce T. Halle Foundation Scholarship

2023/2024

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Food Service Worker

May 2021-Nov 2022

Sonic Drive-In in Mesquite, TX

- Coordinated team members to ensure efficient service, quality standards, and customer satisfaction in a fast-paced environment.
- Guided new team members in a collaborative work environment and improving overall service efficiency.