Paloma Valdes

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EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame

Notre Dame, IN

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

May 2028

• Dual Degree Engineering Program of Saint Mary's College

Saint Mary's College | GPA: 3.79

Notre Dame, IN

Bachelor of Science in Computing and Applied Mathematics

May 2027

• Honors and Awards: Lilly Endowment Scholarship, Kessler Scholarship

EXPERIENCE

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Michigan City, IN

Co-Manager

Seasonal, May 2021 - June 2025

- Leveraged Square analytics software to extract, analyze, and interpret financial data, informing key business decisions and optimizing operational strategies
- Conducted troubleshooting and diagnostic testing on hardware connectivity, identifying and resolving interface and system bugs to maintain critical business operations

PROJECTS

• Fake Job Predictor | Python, Natural Language Toolkit, Flask

July 2025

- Developed a Python machine learning model to predict fraudulent job postings from a dataset with 17,880 data points, achieving an 89.62% classification accuracy with the Multinomial Naive Bayes algorithm
- Conducted comprehensive data processing, analysis, and visualization, and evaluated 2 machine learning algorithms to identify optimal prediction performance
- VitaCare | Python, LangChain, Flask. Cohere LLM, Pinecone, Docker, AWS, Hugging Face

July 2025

- Created and deployed medical chatbot with modular coding, API integration, and cloud platform deployment, allowing for scalability, a maintainable software architecture, and efficient version control with Git/GitHub
- Constructed a knowledge base and semantic indexing system, leveraging vector databases and embedding models, to efficiently retrieve medical data from over 40,000 text chunks extracted from a medical encyclopedia
- Soccer Analysis with Computer Vision | Python, OpenCV, YOLOv8

June 202

- Engineered and trained AI/ML model with a 600 image dataset to analyze and predict player-movement and team performance from processing raw game footage
- Generated player/ball-identification markers and 3 kinds of real-time team statistics for data visualization and analytics that could be applied to diagnose team performance and professional game planning
- Airplane Crash Data App | MATLAB

Apr. 2025

- Obesigned and developed a user-friendly desktop application tool for data visualization and plane safety analysis by integrating and filtering an airplane crash data set with 2,432 data points from 1960-2022
- Utilized data structures, statistical analysis, software design, and data processing skills to identify trends and contributing factors that could be used for researchers and air traffic industry professionals

LEADERSHIP AND ACTIVITIES

• First-Year Engineering Council | Member, University of Notre Dame

Sept. 2024 - May 2025

- Oversaw 4 service events to serve South Bend community with a team of 5
- Researched and corresponded with local organizations to coordinate volunteer opportunities for first year engineering students
- Undergraduate Mathematics Research | Research Assistant, Saint Mary's College

Jan. 2024 - May 2024

- Collaborated with a team of 4 to analytically approach modern graph theory problems and write proofs to be published in a final report
- o Carried out meetings and effectively presented mathematical findings to team members for 12 weeks
- Robotics & Computational Mathematics Lab | Lab Member, Saint Mary's College

Aug. 2023 - Present

- Implemented Terminal and command line shell to establish SSH connections with Raspberry Pi, configure its operating system, transfer files, and interface Raspberry Pi with light sensor and webcam
- Analyzed real-time sensor data (light intensity, color reflectivity, motion) with OpenCV and Python to identify traffic patterns and environmental influences for autonomous vehicle simulation

TECHNICAL AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

Technical: Excel, Word, PowerPoint, MatLab, Python, HTML/CSS,, SolidWorks, SQL, C, C++ Languages: Spanish