# **Blake Payne**

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#### **Education**

#### **Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering**

December 2026

Wright State University | Dayton, OH

GPA: 3.86

Minor in German

## Enrolled in Combined B.S./M.S. (4+1) Program in Computer Engineering

December 2027

Wright State University | Dayton, OH

#### Skills

**Programming Languages:** Java, Python, Bash, GoLang, C, C++, MATLAB

**Development Tools:** VSCode, Zed, IntelliJ, PyCharm, Rider, CLion, MATLAB IDEs

Computer Software: Linux (Arch), Windows, Microsoft Office Products, Google Workspace Products

# **Projects**

#### **LLM Benchmarker**

• Benchmarking LLMs from Ollama in Java by evaluating their accuracy on linear algebra problems using the Wolfram Alpha API, contributing insights to LLM mathematical reasoning in the CS research community

#### **Translation Library**

- Building a cross-language TOML-based translation library with a Python CLI and Java Package for managing multilingual content across apps and tools
- Streamlining internationalization by standardizing translation file formats and enabling easy collaboration between developers and translators

#### **Submission Organizer**

• Co-engineered a lecture-wide file organizer in Python to process, filter, and sort student submissions, significantly reducing manual effort for TAs and saving dozens of hours during grading

# **Experience**

## **Computer Science Teaching Assistant**

**August 2024 - Present** 

Wright State University On-Campus Employment

Fairborn, OH

- Led weekly lecture sections for 50 students, facilitating engaging discussions and academic support through office hours and personalized communication
- Collaborated with faculty and a team of TAs to coordinate grading logistics, address student concerns, and ensure consistency across course delivery
- Helped drive high student satisfaction ratings and strong course evaluation feedback by leading team coordination efforts and maintaining clear, timely communication with students

# **Extracurricular Activities**

Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society, Secretary	October 2024 - Present
IEEE Wright State University Student Chapter, Treasurer	August 2023 - Present
Wright State Honors Program	December 2022 - Present
IEEE Wright State University Student Chapter, Treasurer	August 2023 - Present
Make-IT-Wright Hackathon 2025	Spring 2025
ACM Programming Contest	Fall 2023, Fall 2024

# **Achievements**

Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society, Secretary Wright State Honors Program Competitive Scholarship Fall 2023 - Present June 2023