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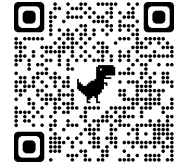
Objective: I am a motivated computer science student seeking an internship that will permit me to add value to your organization while developing my technical and leadership skills

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Education:

University of Florida (Gainesville, Florida):

      Bachelor of Science, Computer Science (GPA: 3.9)   (Spring 2020-Fall 2024)

Skills:

Tools and Software	Programming Languages	Spoken Languages
- Unity, MongoDB, AWS Snowflake, GitLab, Photoshop	-Java, C++, Python, C#, SQL, git HTML/CSS, JavaScript	- English, Spanish, Swedish

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Internship Experience:

Western Union Risk Decision Sciences Intern (Summer of 2021)
- Created a GUI to automate a process for capturing fraudulent transactions
- Researched and proposed a program to improve DEI at Western Union HQ
  - Presented both projects to a group of superiors from USA, India, Costa Rica, and Lithuania
- Learned about cybersecurity and data analysis methods used at Western Union

Web Developer/Designer for SparkIt Creative (2021-present)
- Main web designer and developer for a local digital marketing start-up company

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Extracurricular Experience:

Technical Officer and UX Designer for the UF Software Engineering Club (2020-present)
- Working on front-end user experience and backend development for a club-wide app, Clubfinity
- Participating in events, meetings, and workshops for software engineering

UF Game Development Association Member (2020-present)
- Making both small and large-scale video games from scratch using Unity

Semi-Professional Ice Hockey Player (2018-2020)

Projects:

Patch Rule Tool (Western Union, June 2021)
- Learned SQL, Snowflake, and Python (and many useful libraries) to create a GUI executable that automatically queries for large chunks of transactions and finds patterns that correlate to fraud

Sentinel (Swamp Hacks, January 2021)
- Used HTML, CSS, and JavaScript to create a sleek and functional website (which won the Infotech, most innovative use of a public dataset for the public good, award)

Clubfinity (2020-present)
- Working with Node.js, React Native, MongoDB, and Figma to contribute to the front and back end of a large-scale app