**Rafael Arellanes**

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**EDUCATION**

**Texas Tech University Graduation May 2024**

*BS, Computer Science; Minor, Mathematics Lubbock, TX*

* Member of Hispanic Student Society during 2020
* Studied abroad in Seville, Spain during summer 2023semester at TTU Center in Seville
* Active Participant in The Goin Band at Raiderland playing Trombone.
* Member of Kappa Kappa Psi

**EXPERIENCE/PROJECTS**

**Darden Restaurants Inc. Jan. 2021 – Current**

*Line Cook Lubbock, TX*

* Prepared and cooked a variety of dishes to order, following established recipes and presentations standards.
* Demonstrated expertise in food safety and sanitation, maintaining a clean and organized kitchen environment.
* Trained and mentored junior kitchen staff in food preparation techniques and kitchen procedures.
* Collaborated with kitchen staff to ensure efficient and smooth service during peak hours.

**HackWesTX – Food Discovery App Feb. 2023**

*Participant Lubbock, TX*

* Collaborated on a team to design FoodFinder, a food app with a Tinder-like swiping interface.
* Contributed to ideation for the app’s concept and functionality.
* Participated in the app’s design and user interface development, ensuring an intuitive and visually appealing experience.
* Technologies Used: JavaScript, react.js, and Expo Go

**Personal Portfolio Feb 2023 – Current**

* Developing a personal portfolio website to showcase web development skills and projects.
* Technologies Used: JavaScript, CSS, and HTML
* Project Status: Ongoing Development

**Parser Project April 2023 – May 2023**

* Developed a parser project as part of coursework, focusing on validating the syntax of source code files.
* Utilized Python for implementation, including the use of parsing libraries and tools.
* Successfully designed and implemented a lexical analyzer and parser, ensuring adherence to language-specific syntax rules.
* Demonstrated strong algorithmic thinking and problem-solving abilities in handling complex parsing scenarios.

**SKILLS & INTERESTS**

* **Skills:** Python: Intermediate; C: Proficient, Java: Intermediate, HTML: Intermediate, Strategic planning; Task Prioritization; Attention to Detail.
* **Interests:** Music, Volleyball, cars, art, food, reading