

EDUCATION

B.A./M.S., Computer Science, Boston University	05/2025
• Cumulative GPA: 3.73/4.0	
Boston Latin School	06/2021

SKILLS

- **Programming Languages:** C, Python, Bash
- **Tools & frameworks:** Kubernetes, Docker, Git, Emacs, Google Cloud Services
- **Specialties:** CI/CD, Real-Time Operating Systems, Kernel Development

PROJECTS

RT-DDS Real-Time Data Distribution Service	08/2024 - Present
• Built a functional composition dataflow pub-sub framework with real-time QoS guarantees	
• Uses the Quest-V Hypervisor to dispatch and connect services across Linux and Quest RTOS VMs	
Bits of CS Inc.	03/2023 - Present
• Founded a nonprofit, free online education.	
• Authored a college-level curricula computer science textbook, published online at https://bitsofcs.com	
Standalone Operating System	12/2023
• Co-developed a virtual disk in C and Assembly on intel i386 architecture with FIFO thread scheduling, inode-based file system, dual-mode system calls, and memory mapping	

WORK HISTORY

ProDex Labs, Brooklyn, NY, Founding Engineer	05/2025 - 10/2025
• Orchestrated AI Agentic workflows to optimize manufacturing simulations and create simulation JSONs	
• Deployed and managed terraform cloud infrastructure for GCP and Azure	
• Created core UI design for visualizing factory as a circuit with New York Subway colors theme	
Red Hat Collaboratory, Boston, MA, Cloud Engineer Intern	09/2023 - 07/2024
• Unikernel Linux: Hacked Linux with Professor Orran Krieger, PhD, to dynamically link applications to the kernel for performance gains in industrial workloads (e.g., improved Redis throughput by 22%)	
• OPE Gradescope Bridge: Implemented scalable OpenShift service REST API for grading student assignment code in Open Education Framework	
• OPE Testing: Automated testing in container build process with GitHub Actions shell and Jupyter Notebook tests; reduced container build time by 70% using mamba	
Boston University, Boston, MA, Teaching Assistant	09/2022 - 05/2025
• Taught CS 131 (Combinatorics) for two semesters and CS 330 (Algorithms) for 5 semesters	

PUBLICATIONS

- R. Mikulskis, P. West, R. Syed, Z. Ruan, and R. West. “**RT-DDS: A Real-Time Data Distribution Service for Task Pipeline Processing**”. Manuscript in preparation.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- **Hariri Institute Student Excellence Award (for Red Hat OPE)**, Boston University **06/2024**
- **Student Academic Enhancement Fund (for Bits of CS Inc.)**, Boston University **10/2023**
- **Thomas M. Menino Scholarship recipient (merit, full-tuition)**, Boston University **03/2021**
- **All-State Jazz Trumpet (2nd place)**, MMEA All-State **01/2021**

VOLUNTEER WORK

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Mass	10/2023 - 9/2025
• Volunteer Big Brother in BU community program, meet with brother every 2 weeks	
Charity Runner in Falmouth Road Race	08/2023
• Raised \$850 in funds for <i>Soccer Without Borders Boston</i>	
Fundraising Chair, Phi Kappa Tau	01/2023 - 05/2023
• Organized a concert with Berklee student-led bands with net profit of \$800	