# Rujhan Najib

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## **EDUCATION**

## The Pennsylvania State University

State College, PA

Aug. 2022 - May 2026

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science (Minor in Mathematics)

• Cumulative GPA: 3.79/4.00 | Honors: Dean's List (all semesters), Tau Beta Pi

# EXPERIENCE

## Machine Learning Research Intern

May 2025 – July 2025

National University of Singapore

Singapore

• Conducted a research on improving feature engineering using genetic programming on classification problem.

# Machine Learning Engineer Intern

Jan 2025 - May 2025

NittanyAI Advance

State College, PA

- Fine-tuned Vision Transformer (ViT) models on PlantNet-300K and iNaturalist datasets; published models on Hugging Face.
- Designed and optimized a scalable machine learning pipeline for image classification using iNaturalist Open Data, improving data preprocessing, model training, and evaluation to ensure efficiency and reproducibility.
- Integrated Google Authentication into the company's website to enhance user access and security.

# International Student Welcome Leader

Mar 2024 – Jan 2025

Penn State Global

State College, PA

- Provided orientation briefings to newly arrived international students, offering an overview of Penn State's campus life, academic expectations, cultural norms, and available support services.
- Led comprehensive campus tours specifically tailored to meet the needs of incoming Engineering and Computer Science students by providing insights into academic facilities, student resources, and campus culture.
- Collaborated with Penn State Global to successfully welcome and integrate over 1,350 international students by coordinating various operational activities.

#### Policy Research Intern

May 2024 – Aug 2024

Policy Unit, Majlis Amanah Rakyat (MARA)

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

- Co-developed advanced proficiency in data analytics tools and techniques for policy research, enhancing data-driven decision-making.
- Crafted comprehensive policies for MRSM, sponsorship programs, finance, and TVET, impacting over 150,000 students.
- Prepared and delivered detailed presentations on policy research to senior management, contributing to strategic planning and implementation.

# Undergraduate Research Assistant (Viral Benchmarking Project)

Nov 2023 – May 2024

Pennsylvania State University

State College, PA

- Led the development of an advanced Snakemake pipeline to automate and optimize the assessment workflow for genome sequencing tools including BBMap, Seq2Mgs, and art-illumina.
- Utilized the high-performance computing resources of the university to efficiently conduct complex simulations involving 14,000 genomes.
- Collaborated with professors and graduate students, fostering a collaborative and productive research environment.

## AWARDS

## Nittany AI Advance Excellence Award

 $May\ 2025$ 

 $Penn\ State\ Nittany AI\ Alliance$ 

# Paul Morrow Endowment Scholarship

Apr 2025

Penn State College of Engineering

## SKILLS AND INTEREST

Languages: Malay, English, Arabic

Computing: Python, Javascript, C++, C, Java, SQL, R, Power BI, Excel, Powerpoint, Tableau, AWS, Pytorch,

HuggingFace, Git, Computer Vision, Linux

Finance: Accounting