Rakesh Pillai

Technical Experience & Projects

Slingshot Jul. 2020 – Dec. 2020

Software Engineering Intern

- used the React Native framework to develop a cross-platform app to collect gesture pattern (swiping, tapping, etc.) data from users
- utilized Firebase platform to authenticate users and store data collected from users
- analyzed data collected from app using Python and built multiple Machine Learning models using a K-Nearest Neighbors algorithm

EDUCATION

Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology June, 2021

- 4.33/4.00 (Weighted GPA)
- 1570 SAT (800 Math, 770 English)
- 2 years of Varsity Basketball, Vice-President of German Honor Society, Treasurer of Innovations and Concepts in Engineering Club, Team Captain of Rocketry Team
- Relevant Coursework: AP Calculus AB & BC, Multivariable Calculus and Matrix Algebra, AP Computer Science A, Parallel Computing, AP Physics C Mechanics and Electricity and Magnetism

Virginia Tech

2025

Rising Freshman aiming to major in computer engineering with an interest in security

SKILLS & INTERESTS

- **Skills:** proficient in Java and C, comfortable with Python, HTML, and JavaScript
- Interests: creating Python automation scripts; competing in capture the flag competitions; solving Rubik's cubes; hiking; snowboarding; playing basketball