

# Sam Flattery

## SOFTWARE ENGINEER

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## Work Experience

### Google

Sunnyvale, CA

#### SOFTWARE ENGINEER III (L4)

Oct 2023 - Present

- Reduced damage caused by made-for-abuse accounts by XX% across Google by challenging potentially abusive users with anti-abuse challenges when trying to access non-essential Google services
- Designed and implemented agile challenge policies in Java with configurable arms for a more responsive system to abuse patterns.
- Engineered the frontend and backend of the UX flow seen by XXXk users daily, providing explanations for restrictions, enabling users to pass challenges, and ultimately facilitating unrestricted access.
- Developed monitoring dashboards, real-time metrics, and SQL queries for impact analysis and issue detection

### Google

Sunnyvale, CA

#### SOFTWARE ENGINEER II (L3)

Sep 2022 - Oct 2023

- Worked on the **Action Protection** team, a subset of Google Sign-In responsible for challenging users attempting sensitive actions like password changes with 2FA challenges to protect against hijacking
- Streamlined the UX flow for non-2FA users, allowing seamless 2FA enrollment and unblocking XXk users daily.
- Collaborated with clients including Gmail, Payments and Ads to provide design reviews, integration support and land feature requests

### Google

Ireland (Remote)

#### SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN

May 2021 - Aug 2021

- Worked on the **SafetyNet Attestation API**, an anti-abuse platform written in C++ which assesses device side integrity on Android devices
- Designed and implemented a principled way to process device information and produce a new integrity verdict for a new class of device
- Extended the system that calculates preexisting **integrity verdicts** to make it more configurable, scalable and easier to debug
- This new system is on the critical path to assessing over 1 billion devices daily

### Google

Ireland (Remote)

#### SOFTWARE ENGINEERING INTERN

May 2020 - Aug 2020

- Created a testing system in C++ for exercising code paths in **Envoy**, an open source L7 proxy, with randomized inputs
- Implemented an abstract state tracker that maintained the correct state of the system to ensure updates were properly processed
- Increased testing coverage over key files by more than 40% and fixed existing bugs the system uncovered

## Education

### Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA

#### B.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, CONCENTRATION IN COMPUTER SYSTEMS

Aug 2018 - May 2021

- Cum. GPA: **3.91 / 4.00** (Dean's List, High Honors F18, S19, F20, S21, S22)
- Selected courses:

**15-410** Operating Systems

**15-440** Distributed Systems

**15-418** Parallel Computer Architecture

**15-451** Algorithm Design & Analysis

**15-281** Artificial Intelligence

**15-445** Database Systems

## Projects

### The Atlas Project

Pittsburgh, PA

#### SOFTWARE LEAD

Aug 2019 - May 2021

- Managed the software team developing a fully autonomous gravity-powered vehicle
- Presented weekly briefings on software progress to the organization and assigned tasks to team members
- Integrated deep learning semantic segmentation into the vehicle's control mechanism

## Skills

- **Programming Languages:** Java, C++, C, Python, Swift, SQL