

# SHASHANK VEMURI

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Michigan - College of Literature, Science, and the Arts** August 2023 - Expected May 2026  
*Bachelor of Science in Data Science* Ann Arbor, MI  
**Relevant Coursework:** Data Structures and Algorithms, Discrete Math  
**Activities & Societies:** Michigan Investment Group (Quant), Michigan Poker Team, v1@Michigan

## EXPERIENCE

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**Alpaca Markets** April 2022 - October 2022  
*Software Engineer - Developer Experience* San Mateo, CA/U.S. (Remote)

- Engineered v2 of the official Alpaca **Python** SDK to allow developers to connect to the Broker API and build investment services such as broker-dealers, neobanks, and RIA's which led to a 35% increase in the number of outstanding live applications
- Spearheaded the creation of a GitHub repository with 10+ **Jupyter** research notebooks with step-by-step technical guides on how to use the v2 Alpaca Python SDK to build live algorithmic trading bots leading to 10,000+ new developer sign-ups

**Bloom (YCS21)** October 2021 - January 2022  
*Software Engineer - Full Stack* San Francisco, CA/U.S. (Remote)

- Singlehandedly designed, developed, and launched a virtual stock market game in 6 weeks using **Next.js**, **Node.js**, and **Firebase** for 100,000+ teenage users to interactively learn about and test long-term investing strategies in a risk-free manner
- Implemented the functionality to make individual accounts and create multiplayer games with **TypeScript** which added 15,000+ platform users and led to a 45% increase in the investing confidence of newly converted brokerage account customers

**Knowt** January 2020 - October 2021  
*Software Engineer - Frontend* Lewes, DA/U.S. (Remote)

- Achieved a 64% decrease in bounce rate from the web app over 6 months by using **Next.js** to develop and A/B test four unique design iterations, each focused on showcasing the product's value proposition and strategically timing sign-up prompts
- Doubled the SEO Lighthouse score which then increased new web app traffic from Google by ~15,000 visits/month by adding mobile responsiveness, fixing performance bugs, and developing significant improvements to website speed with **JavaScript**

**FinX** July 2020 - September 2020  
*Software Engineer - Full Stack* Virginia Beach, VA/U.S. (Remote)

- Increased 1-month user retention rate by 32% using **React**, **Tailwind CSS**, and **Node.js** to build new features such as dynamic stock charting analysis similar to TradingView and an interactive chatbot to help users learn about financial literacy
- Developed a real-time news sentiment analysis dashboard and per-stock daily polls using **Flask**, **NLTK**, and **React Native**, introducing a gamified rewards system that engaged 65+% of 10,000+ daily active users and increased revenue by 5-figures

## PROJECTS

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**Quantitative Finance** March 2020 - April 2023  
*Python, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Scikit-Learn*

- Sole contributor to a GitHub repository with 150+ financial engineering related Python programs (1.5k+ Stars, 300+ Forks)

**TradeView** May 2020 - January 2021  
*Python, HTML, JavaScript, Flask, Heroku*

- Created an interactive web app with 2,500+ daily active users that displays hundreds of live stock market metrics and signals

**CookBookCV** December 2020  
*Python, Swift, OpenCV, Flask*

- Built an iOS mobile app that allows users to take a picture of their groceries and get recommended recipes within 6 seconds

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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<b>Languages</b>	Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, C++, HTML, CSS, SQL
<b>Technologies</b>	React, Node.js, Express.js, Next.js, Bootstrap, jQuery, Flask, Django, Streamlit, Pandas, Matplotlib, NumPy, Selenium, BeautifulSoup, Scikit-Learn
<b>Software</b>	Git/GitHub, Heroku, MongoDB, Postman, MySQL, Firebase
<b>Interests</b>	Basketball, Trading, Poker, Hip-Hop, Startups, Writing, Reading