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### EDUCATION

## Carnegie Mellon University

May 2025

Master of Science in Artificial Intelligence Engineering

Pittsburgh, PA

GPA: 3.79 / 4.00 · Graduate Portfolio: https://shawnkrishnan.github.io/me-projects.html

#### Carnegie Mellon University

Dec 2023

Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering

Pittsburgh, PA

GPA:  $3.74 / 4.00 \cdot \text{Undergraduate Portfolio: https://shawnkrishnan.github.io/me-projects.html}$ 

### Work Experience

#### Docu Slides - theslidevox.com

May 2025 – Present

Co-Founder and Executive Director

Pittsburgh, PA

- Technical Execution & Team Management: Appointed by CMU AI Professor to lead a cross-functional team of 8 (3 front-end engineers, 2 back-end engineers and 2 consultants) to develop a Mean Value Proposition for Multi-Agent AI software to convert documents into high-impact visual presentations. Managed GitHub workflows, sprint cycles, and release testing.
- Strategy: Conducted customer discovery interviews, iterated on use cases, launched a free trial programs, and prepared investor pitch materials for early-stage VCs and accelerators.
- Investor Outreach: Secured and coordinated meetings with analysts at leading venture capital firms, presenting our product vision and gathering strategic feedback to refine our go-to-market approach.

#### College of Engineering: Mechanical Artificial Intelligence Lab

Aug 2024 - May 2025

Graduate Research Assistant

Pittsburgh, PA

• PDE Model Benchmarking: Benchmarked deep-learning and physics-informed neural network methods for PDE optimization under Prof. Amir Barati Farimani, performing quantitative analyses across multiple datasets.

## Comtech Telecommunications Corp. - comtech.com

May 2024 – Aug 2024

AI / NLP (Natural Language Processing) Systems Engineering Intern

Seattle, WA

- AWS Lambda & NLP Integration: Developed AWS Lambda functions using AWS Lex for real-time call-severity classification to assist 911 operators' decision-making.
- Natural Language Regression: Integrated a multi-modal Naive Bayes classifier into communication APIs, enhancing transcription and severity assignment.
- Flask Data API: Built a Flask service to package and forward emergency call data (timestamp, caller info, location) to PSAP systems for improved emergency response and 911 operator decision-making.

#### Ingredion Incorporated – ingredion.com

May 2023 - Aug 2023

Technical Sales Intern

Bridgewater, NJ

- Salesforce Research & Analysis: Conducted comprehensive research and analysis in Salesforce to identify growth opportunities and potential revenue increases based on competitors' performance. Resulted in an additional 38% of potential sales volume for
- Market Communication: Delivered high-impact presentations and reports to communicate market opportunities to executives and sales account managers effectively.
- Client Relations: Participated in sales calls, fostering strong client relationships and presenting product offerings and solutions to drive business growth, primarily with start-up ventures focusing on vegan and other dietary-constrained alternatives.

#### Carnegie Mellon University: College of Engineering

Jan 2023 - Dec 2023

Graduate & Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Pittsburgh, PA

- Courses Supported: 24-791 Graduate Seminar I; 24-370 Mechanical Design; 24-221 Thermodynamics.
- Classroom Management & Grading: Managed logistics and graded assignments, quizzes, and exams to support an effective learning environment.

# SKILLS & ACTIVITIES

Software & Tools: Python, Excel (Advanced), SQL, MATLAB, Simulink, ANSYS, SolidWorks, Mastercam, Salesforce Programming & Frameworks: Java, C++, TensorFlow, PyTorch, Keras, NumPy, Pandas, SciPy, scikit-learn, OpenCV, Matplotlib, Spark, Kafka, Docker, Kubernetes, FastAPI

Engineering Processes: NoSQL (MongoDB, Neo4j), LaTeX, 3D Printing, CNC Machining, Manual Machining, MIG Welding, EOS Laser Powder Bed Fusion, Free Melt Electron Beam Powder Bed Fusion, ExOne Binder Jet

Activities & Honors: NCAA Division III Varsity Track & Field, CMU SAFE AI LAB (Prof. Ding Zhao), CMU MetaMobility Lab (Prof. Insueng Kang), 3× Dean's List, University Honors, College of Engineering Mechanical Engineering Expo: Best Overall Project

Languages: English (Native), Tamil (Fluent)

Interests: Formula 1, Tennis, Basketball, Electronic Music Production, Biomechanics Research, Distance Running