

# Shrinkhla Pandey

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## EDUCATION

<b>Vellore Institute of Technology</b> Integrated Masters of Technology, Artificial Intelligence	Oct 2022 – Sep 2027 CGPA - 8.98
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## EXPERIENCE

<b>Project Intern</b> TATA Steel	Oct 2025 – Dec 2025 On-Site
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Developed a secure face-based identity verification system using deep embeddings and cosine similarity, achieving <b>95.8%</b> accuracy and <b>0.94 F1-score</b>, while adhering to internal data handling and access control regulations.</li><li>Designed a real time pipeline using FastAPI and React, integrating request validation, authentication, and activity logging, and achieving an average response time of <b>148 ms</b> in live testing.</li><li>Optimized face detection and matching using YOLOv8, reducing end-to-end inference time from <b>480 ms to 120 ms</b>, and assisted in log analysis and system testing to improve deployment reliability.</li></ul>	

## PROJECTS

<b>SAR Image Colorization</b>   <i>PyTorch, U-Net, Docker</i>   GitHub	Nov 2025 – Ongoing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Developed a SAR-to-RGB colorization model using a customized U-Net architecture, training on <b>50,000+</b> paired images to improve satellite image interpretability.</li><li>Optimized network parameters and loss functions to reduce reconstruction error from <b>0.039 to 0.033</b> MSE and improve output similarity to <b>0.91 SSIM</b>.</li></ul>	
<b>Deep Image Steganography</b>   <i>Stable Diffusion, DDPM, OpenCV</i>   GitHub	Jun 2025 – Oct 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Designed a hybrid DDPM and Stable Diffusion based framework for secure data embedding in digital images, supporting high capacity message hiding with minimal visual distortion.</li><li>Implemented a custom encoder-decoder pipeline achieving <b>99.82% SSIM</b> and reducing steganalysis detection accuracy by <b>87%</b> across benchmark test images.</li><li>Implemented batch testing and result logging using Python, evaluating the model on <b>10,000+</b> images to identify performance differences between training versions. (<a href="https://image-stego-c5n5.onrender.com">https://image-stego-c5n5.onrender.com</a>)</li></ul>	

<b>Conversational AI Chatbot</b>   <i>Gradio, Transformers (HuggingFace), PyTorch</i>   GitHub	May 2025 – Jun 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Built a context aware conversational system using <b>LLaMA 3.2-1B</b>, integrating embedding based memory to maintain dialogue context across multi-turn interactions.</li><li>Improved response relevance and stability through sentiment analysis and prompt filtering, achieving <b>95%</b> conversational coherence and <b>91%</b> intent classification precision.</li><li>Developed a real time web interface using Gradio with request validation and logging, reducing average response latency by <b>27%</b> during user testing.</li></ul>	

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Programming:** Python, C++, Java, SQL (PostgreSQL)

**Coursework:** Data Structures & Algorithms, DBMS, Operating System, Computer Networks

**AI & Machine Learning:** Deep Learning, CNNs, U-Net, YOLOv8, Embedding Models, NLP, Generative AI

**Frameworks & Tools:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, NumPy, Pandas, OpenCV, Hugging Face Transformers, Docker

**Backend & Systems:** FastAPI, Gradio, Git, GitHub, Authentication, Logging

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR & ACHIEVEMENTS

- Semifinalist at NASSCOM Tech Developer Hackathon 2025:** Selected among **1,200+ teams**, developed an agentic AI-based call automation system with autonomous intent detection.
- IEEE ICIIP 2025 Publication:** Co-author of a peer reviewed paper on machine learning techniques for assistive scene description systems. Available online: [ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/11346259](https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/document/11346259)
- Core Member at Eureka Club (PR & Outreach Team):** Organized **7+** technical workshops with **1,000+** participants and led a 5-member outreach team.