Sam Burkhard

Education

B.S. in Computer Engineering • University of Cincinnati

Graduating May 2026

3.8 GPA, Dean's List, Cincinnatus Scholarship

Work Experience

Mobile Development Intern • The Cincinnati Insurance Companies

May 2022 - Present

- Developed MyCincinnati mobile application using .NET, Xamarin.Forms, and C# for iOS/Android. Designed event-driven UI using remote API calls to provide tools for policyholders to manage their insurance
- Collaborated with a team using SCRUM in a remote environment using GitHub and Microsoft Teams

Robotics Development Leader • Lakota Robotics, FIRST Robotics Competition

Dec 2019 - Aug 2021

- Developed Python and Java computer vision software for identifying visual targets for custom robot
- Led a team in designing a system to congregate various sensor inputs into one data stream for a central computer and self-hosted diagnostics dashboard. Built using a Raspberry Pi, Node is, and Javascript

Trainer • The Cone Mar 2019 - Aug 2021

Managed customer interactions, conflict resolution, and trained new team members

Recent Projects

Developer • "Retro or Not?" (Winner of Best Amazon Web Services Implementation)

Oct 2021

- Project created with a team for the IEEE MakeUC 2021 Hackathon, a 24-hour coding competition
- Created web application to predict whether a song sounds similar to retro music using machine learning
- Wrote a <u>Python</u> script to pull song information from the Spotify API to run through a machine learning binary classification model trained with Amazon Web Services Sagemaker

Developer • "InSite" (Winner of Ohio State University Honorable Mention)

Dec 2021

- Project created with a team for Ohio State's 2021 HackOHIO Hackathon, a 24-hour coding competition
- Designed and built frontend website with <u>React.is</u> and native Mac/Windows application using <u>Electron.is</u>
- Developed machine learning model to identify textual misinformation using Python, Tensorflow and a Long Short-Term Memory (LSTM) model

iOS Developer · "Carafe" iOS App

Mar 2022

- Designed and programmed a coffee ratio calculator app for iOS devices using Swift and SwiftUI
- Published app on the App Store and authored an accompanying website from scratch

Extracurriculars & Awards

Apple WWDC 2022 Swift Student Challenge Winner • Apple

May 2022

 1 of 350 students recognized by Apple for my project submission in the Swift Student Challenge. I submitted an iOS productivity app I developed to help me focus during finals week using Swift and SwiftUI

Congressional Award Gold Medalist • U.S. Congress

Jun 2017 - May 2019

- 1500+ hours working on personal development, volunteer service, physical activity, and exploration
- 1 of 478 students recognized nationally with the highest level of the award in 2020

Volunteer of The Year, Gold Presidential Service Award (2x) · iSpace

Jun 2017 - Jul 2019

 500+ hours leading summer camps, teaching workshops, and running events that engage kids in hands-on problem solving and team-based projects exploring robotics, rocketry, programming, and more