

# Sami Sharif

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## EDUCATION

**Carnegie Mellon University**, Pittsburgh, PA  
Bachelor of Science in Engineering (Undeclared)

May 2028

**Townsend Harris High School**, Flushing, NY  
High School Diploma

June 2024  
GPA: 4.0

## SKILLS

Programming Languages: C++, Java, Python, Lua, C#, Dart

Tools and Frameworks: Unity, Roblox Studio, Procreate, Flutter, Pygame, Arduino, OpenCV, Streamlit, OpenAI, MATLAB, Onshape, 3D Printing, Laser cutting

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE

**NOVA Hackathon** | Hackathon

November 2024

- Won 1st place of 42 teams in Carnegie Mellon's ScottyLabs Hackathon by using the OpenAI API to generate test questions from an uploaded note file and provide feedback to user's answers
- Implemented a spaced repetition algorithm to inform what questions to ask based on a heatmap of user's understanding of different parts of the document uploaded
- Won the Everyday Impact Award sponsored by Sandia National Laboratories

**Red Robot Hackathon** | Hackathon

November 2024

- Won 1st place in Carnegie Mellon's Roboclub Hackathon by designing and manufacturing a robot with a 4-bar linkage lift to stack and deliver objects
- Won the Autonomous Award sponsored by Caterpillar for an autonomous routine using feedback control and an IR sensor to follow a path

**Autonomous Robot Simulator** | Personal Project

August 2024

- Remodeled, animated, and added controls to FRC 118's 2022 robot within a custom robot simulator leveraging Unity
- Developed a reliable launching algorithm based on calculus and kinematics, now utilized in FRC 2601's simulations
- Integrated an A\* pathfinding algorithm and a streamlined solution to the traveling salesman problem, allowing robot to autonomously create and follow trajectories

**Enigma** | Personal Project

July 2023

- Created user interface and backend for an app to practice decoding common ciphers from the Science Olympiad, utilizing the Flutter framework
- Implemented a monoalphabetic substitution solver algorithm in Dart to automatically decode Aristocrat ciphers

**The Spy** | Personal Project

December 2021

- Developed a 10-player multiplayer game in Roblox Studio, accumulating over 100 plays
- Integrated custom animations in game GUI using Roblox's tweening library and Procreate

## WORK EXPERIENCE

**Wright's Resumes and Connections**, Flushing, NY

March 2022 - May 2022

IT Support Intern

- Designed a 16-topic Python programming curriculum in Google Slides for future employees and clients
- Compiled a 3-hour lecture featuring interactive programming examples and the NumPy package using iMovie

## ACTIVITIES & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

**Robotics (FRC 2601)**, Townsend Harris High School

September 2021 - May 2024

Programming Head (2023 - 2024) & Driver (2021 - 2024)

- Revamped team's legacy coding framework, implementing a command-based structure with safer control of interconnected mechanisms, improved modularity, and a 70% decrease in CAN bus utilization
- Designed team's programming curriculum and handbook to introduce 30+ members to Java and control theory
- Drove robot in high-intensity matches at all competitions, leading to 2 competition wins and 2 finalist placements

**Science Olympiad**, Townsend Harris High School

September 2022 - March 2024

Event Expert (1 year) & Competitor (2 years)

- Hosted study sessions at least three times a week, leading to a 1st place finish at regional competition and 2nd place finish at NY state competition in Codebusters