## TAREK CHAALAN

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#### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Passionate Computer Science graduate with expertise in full-stack development and cloud data systems. Blend of frontend/back-end engineering with strong analytical, prototyping, and automation skills. Committed to delivering reliable, user-centric software that reduces manual work, surfaces real-time insight, and measurably improves operations.

#### **EDUCATION**

California State University, Fullerton

Fullerton, California

• Cum Laude (Honor w/ Distinction)

Bachelor of Science: Computer Science

Relevant Coursework:

Data Structures, Algorithms, Software Engineering, Web Front-End Engineering, Web Back-End Engineering, Operating System Concepts, Computer Communications, Algorithm Engineering, Artificial Intelligence, Network Security Fundamentals, Statistical Applications to Natural Sciences, Cybersecurity Foundations

#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

- Devops Certification by IBM (<u>Verify</u>)
- Software Engineering Certification by IBM (In Progress)

#### **SKILLS**

- Python, C++, Javascript, Typescript, Ruby, Swift, HTML, CSS.
- PyTorch, Flask, React Native, NodeJS, React, Firebase, Bootstrap, Tailwind, Django, Git.
- REST APIs, JSON, Web Services, CI/CD, Docker, Kubernetes, Serverless Functions, Git, Azure, MySQL, NoSQL, PostgreSQL, Authentication.
- SDLC, Agile, PM, DevOps.
- Team Collaboration, Communication, Adaptability, Critical Thinking, Analytical.

# **LANGUAGES**

Arabic & English

French

Native or Bilingual

Professional Working

**NATIONALITY** 

REFERENCES

USA

Available upon request

#### **WORK HISTORY**

Al Mailam & Shaalan Co - Systems Analyst

Kuwait City, Kuwait • 01/2025 - Current

- Automated Quantity Control & Purchase Order systems end-to-end, centralizing 70+ supplier sheets into a live dashboard with alerts, removing the need for manual checks and missed reorder windows.
- Built a lightweight "Order Panel" with bulk actions, status tracking, and one-click CSV/XLSX exports, shortening weekly purchasing standups and streamlining supplier negotiations.
- Working with a small team to design and develop a role-based Controller that automates requests/approvals, centralizes docs and status, triggers alerts, and logs every move, so each department sees what it needs and nothing gets lost.

#### Freelance - Software Engineer

Remote • 10/2021 - Current

- Delivered various websites with responsive UI, online booking, ecommerce, Content Management Systems (CMS); shipping on Vercel/Cloudflare with Continuous Integration and zero-downtime deploys.
- CMS was used for customizable web content, orders, appointments, and more.
  Integrated email/SMS notifications using twilio.
- Set SEO/analytics and performance budgets; wrote owner-friendly docs and short handover videos to keep maintenance simple.

#### Cigo Tracker - Software Engineer

Montreal, Canada (Remote | Onsite summer/winter) • 02/2022 - 03/2024

- Engineered high-performance database structures and dynamic frontend visualizations using Apache ECharts, Angular (TypeScript), and AWS RDS.
- Conducted comprehensive research and developed innovative data management solutions using AWS cloud services to optimize performance.
- Presented functional prototypes to key stakeholders, demonstrating successful alignment with business objectives and enhancing operational efficiency.
- Evaluated and integrated AWS cloud computing services (S3, EC2) to manage and log customer information, streamlining processes.
- Collaborated with senior software developers to gain deep insights into AWS cloud operations and logistics, driving technical improvements.
- Developed and deployed complex websites through AWS command consoles, providing versatile digital solutions tailored to business needs.

### Other Experiences

- DataAnnotation Al Analyst ( 04/2022 08/2022 )
- Al Ahli Bank of Kuwait Asset Management ( 08/2024 12/2024 )

## **Projects**

Fit-Fuel (Senior Capstone) Trained a custom object detection model for gym equipment with 85% precision, and developed meal tracking and exercise planning features in a cross-platform app.

Secure File Transfer System Built a secure, terminal-based client-server system for encrypted file transfers using sockets, multithreading, and JWT for authentication, supporting any file type with functionality similar to send- anywhere.com

ChessEloShield (Chrome + Firefox Extension) Developed and published a cross-browser extension that prevents tilt on Chess.com by enforcing configurable cooldown timers, using background/content scripts, storage sync, and CSS overlays, with a custom popup UI and privacy-focused design.