

# Tiffany Chieu

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## Education

### University of California, Los Angeles

Los Angeles, CA

B.S. in Computer Science and Engineering | Degree expected 2023

Sep 2019 - Jun 2023

- Cumulative GPA: 3.85
- **Relevant coursework:** Operating Systems, Algorithms, Programming Languages, Formal Languages and Automata Theory, Computer Systems Architecture, Networking, Systems and Signals, Digital Signal Processing, Digital Electronic Circuits

### (Expected) M.S. in Computer Science and Engineering

Sep 2023 - Jun 2025

## Experience

### NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

Pasadena, CA

Software Engineering Intern | Small Scale Flight Software Group

Jun 2022 - Present

- Developed C++ code generation for a domain-specific modeling language (F Prime Prime) supporting the F Prime flight software framework for rapid development of small-scale spaceflight systems, intended to replace and improve existing XML-based F Prime code generation tools
- Expanded functional test coverage of generated C++ code to almost 100% and developed a series of reusable, type-parameterized test suites using the GoogleTest framework

### NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory

Pasadena, CA

Software Engineering Intern | Electronic Design Validation and Test Group

Feb 2022 - Jun 2022

- Developed software simulation models for touch-down sensor components on the Mars Sample Return Lander, including an analog input card and an isolated input and relay output card, as part of the lander interface card bench test equipment
- Documented verification and validation procedures for the camera interface card and camera FPGA simulation on the Mars Sample Return Lander

### Bruin Spacecraft Group

UCLA

Command and Data Handling Lead, Software Engineer

Oct 2020 - Present

- Developing flight software in C++ for a CubeSat testing a miniature ion thruster, including receiving and interpreting commands sent from a ground station and dispatching them to the appropriate subsystem, monitoring and logging spacecraft health information, and operating an onboard camera
- Designing a PCB for peripheral sensors, including thermistors and a camera
- Recruiting and training new members; creating and delegating tasks for existing members

### DevX

UCLA

Backend Developer

Apr 2020 - Sep 2020

- Maintained the backend of BConnect, social media platform for UCLA alumni, written in Go with PostgreSQL and hosted on Heroku
- Restructured database schema to utilize many-to-many relationships, facilitating easier data retrieval and removing a redundant database model
- Improved error handling and expanded test coverage

## Projects

### imgproc-rs

Dec 2020 - Present

A Rust image processing library

- Developed a flexible container for storing and manipulating different image formats and channel data types
- Implemented color space conversions; gamma correction and histogram equalization; linear filtering through convolution; nonlinear filters including the median, bilateral, and alpha-trimmed mean filters; basic affine transformations; and morphological operations
- Improved performance via multithreading and SIMD intrinsics

### space-invaders

Nov 2021 - Dec 2021

A classic video game on an FPGA

- Developed a simplified version of Space Invaders written in Verilog on a Nexys3 Spartan-6 FPGA
- Implemented a basic VGA controller capable of drawing and animating sprites stored as bitmaps in memory, and detecting collisions between objects on the screen
- Implemented software button debouncing for user interaction

## Technical Skills / Interests

**Languages** C/C++, Rust, Go, Python, Java, Scala, Verilog, HTML/CSS, JavaScript/TypeScript

**Other** OpenCV, React, Git

**Interests** Programming languages and compilers, embedded software, CubeSat development, computer vision, machine learning