VARUN KANNA

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Education

University of California, Santa Cruz

Expected Graduation June 2026

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Santa Cruz, CA

GPA: 3.96/4.00

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms, Principles of Computer Systems Design, Computer

Architecture, (CodePath) Web Development

Activities: UCSC Google Student Developer Club, UCSC Association for Computing Machinery

Skills

Languages: Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, SQL, HTML/CSS Tools: Git, Jest, Docker, PostgreSQL, Firebase, MongoDB, Jenkins

Frameworks: React, Node.js, Express

Work Experience

Keysight Technologies

Santa Rosa, CA

Frontend Software Engineer Intern

January 2025 - Present

Incoming

SS&C Technologies

San Francisco, CA

Software Engineer Intern

July 2024 - September 2024

- Enhanced performance test visualization by developing Python scripts that condensed 242+ graphs into one report
- Developed a Jenkins pipeline to automate ETL, cutting manual effort by 83.4% and execution time by 33s
- Optimized performance test reporting by automating outdated file removal in MinIO, reducing storage usage by 27%
- Presented AI-assisted testing proof-of-concept by researching tools to demonstrate AI's potential in test automation

IBM Remote

Accelerate Program Participant - Software Track

June 2024 - July 2024

- Completed an 8-week program on Front-End, Back-End, REST APIs, Generative AI, and Cloud Native Development
- Built a task app with React, Node.js, and MongoDB with real-time updates and a streamlined user experience

Innovate Mobile Remote

Full Stack Software Engineer Intern

April 2024 - June 2024

- Developed a full-stack web application using MongoDB, Express.js, React, and Node.js for an aggregator app
- Migrated 6,103+ data entries from SQLite to MongoDB, leading to a 64.8% improvement in query performance
- Directed modeling of data and API endpoints for seamless integration between front-end and back-end systems
- Enhanced data processing automation by 14s through email scraping and user data integration using Python
- Maintained unit tests for the existing codebase, increasing code coverage to 65.6% and reducing bugs by 32.7%

Projects

TCG Tracker - Pokemon Card Tracker | JavaScript, React, Node.js, Express, Firebase

- Designed a card grading tool that enables users to assess grading value and profitability of their collection
- Leveraged Google Cloud Vision API to automate card identification and entry, resulting in a 35% time saving
- Boosted collection tracking efficiency by 27% by developing a collection management system with Chart.js

SelfTour - Itinerary App | TypeScript, React, Firebase, Firestore, Tailwind CSS

- Engineered an app linking travel planners and travelers for AI-assisted itinerary planning and route optimization
- Achieved a 41s reduction in itinerary planning time for users in congested cities with a streamlined user experience
- Increased application responsiveness by 26.8% by developing frontend and backend using React and Node.js
- Improved overall performance by integrating Firebase for data management and TypeScript for data validation

SmokeScreen - Blocker for Content | JavaScript, Chrome Storage API

- Pioneered a Chrome extension to block specified content, improving efficiency by 33.7% using agile methodologies
- Strengthened the functionality of the extension by debugging 54+ edge cases to ensure content is blocked properly