Will Farhat

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EDUCATION

University of Southern California

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science and Games, Minor in Cinematic Arts

Town and Gown Scholar, Trojan Affiliates Scholar, CURVE Research Fellow, Dean's List

Aug. 2021 – May 2025 3.98 GPA

Los Angeles, CA

Harvard-Westlake High School

High School Diploma

Studio City, CA

Aug. 2017 - June 2021

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern

May 2023 – Present

Bloomberg LP

New York City, NY

- Architecting a new article rendering pipeline on Bloomberg.com with Next.js/TypeScript for 50 million users
- Deploying web optimization strategies and increasing frontend performance by 25%
- Supporting 4 fellow engineers in their expansion of my previously created hydration system across entire site

Software Engineer

February 2022 – May 2023

BodyAI

Los Angeles, CA

- Lead development of 2 full stack medical monitoring apps with TypeScript, React Native, Node.js, and Firebase
- Oversaw CI/CD pipelines with GitHub Actions and Heroku for deployment to 3 concurrent platform targets
- Collated with a SCRUM team across 2 continents to rapidly ideate and iterate on the core product

Software Engineering Intern

May 2022 - August 2022

Bloomberg LP

New York City, NY

- Rebuilt the entire Bloomberg Businessweek homepage in Next.js/TypeScript for use by 10 million monthly users
- Designed a new homepage hydration system for Bloomberg.com deployed across 4 microservices
- Assisted in onboarding 3 new hires to the Bloomberg web team and walked them through our codebases

Terrain Team Lead and Engineer

January 2022 – August 2022

NASA SUITS Team Aegis

Los Angeles, CA

- Served as a team lead of a 70-person group selected by NASA to build a concept HoloLens AR HUD for moonwalks
- Implemented data processing and visualization pipelines for 17km of Lunar terrain with Python, C#, and Unity
- Pitched our finished prototype directly to a panel of 30 NASA officials and scientists at Houston Space Center

Undergrad Research Fellow

August 2021 - May 2022

USC One World Terrain Project

Los Angeles, CA

- Developed a Linux-based data tool using CUDA and Python to 3x machine learning dataset coverage
- Researched and benchmarked 8 new machine learning techniques for 3D point cloud segmentation
- Constructed 3 point cloud datasets for open-source usage

Software Engineering Extern

February 2021 - May 2021

USC QED Research Lab

Studio City, CA

- Led development of a Python visualization tool for medical time-series data in 5 weeks
- Configured automated deployment with Docker and Kubernetes for use by 2 research labs

Involvement

Legacy | Co-Founder and Lead Developer

August 2022 – Present

- Building and launching an end of life planning tool for families with Next.js, TypeScript, MongoDB, and AWS
- Pitched company successfully to 2 accelerator programs, investors, and the AWS Startups team

USC Rocket Propulsion LabProduction Systems Software Engineer

January 2022 – May 2023

- Building internal lab authentication and management software for 200+ members with Django and React
- Aided in on-site launch operations at 2 rocket launches in the Mohave Desert

PROJECTS

Junebug: Open-source game multiplatform game engine. C++, CMake, OpenGL

USC Games DB: Student-run database for games projects. Next.js, TypeScript, TailwindCSS, Firebase, AWS

Writus: Mobile word game published on iOS; winner of HackSC 2022. React, JavaScript, GameMaker

FreehandVR: Marker-less VR hand-tracking prototype. Python, OpenCV, C#, Unity