# Yonatan Tussa

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### Montgomery College

Takoma Park, MD

A.A. in Computer Science; GPA: 3.3

Expected Dec. 2024

Activities & Societies: Presidential Scholar, STEM Ambassador, Raptors Who Code, Student Activities Board, Ethiopian Student Association

#### University of Maryland

College Park, MD

Expected May 2026

B.S. in Computer Science

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: C++, Java, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, Python

Frameworks & Tools: ReactJS, TailwindCSS, Git, Docker, AWS EC2, Vite, VS Code, PyCharm, Eclipse

Concepts: Object-Oriented Programming, REST, Frontend, Backend, Agile Methodologies, Communication Protocols

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### University of Maryland

Jan. 2024

GRAD-MAP Undergraduate Researcher

Remote

- Leveraged Python libraries (NumPy, SciPy, pandas, MatPlotLib) to analyze over 5,000 frames of high-speed footage, uncovering patterns and trends within granular systems
- Presented research findings to graduate students and faculty, demonstrating the implications of our discoveries for the future of asteroid studies and potential exploration missions

#### New Energy Equity

Oct. 2023 - Dec. 2023

Energy Support Services Intern

Annapolis, MD

- Implemented and managed **APIs** within Salesforce and ProntoForms, optimizing data visibility for **250+ solar projects** with budgets ranging from **six figures** to **\$1M+**
- Synchronized SharePoint files and data with SalesForce during a company acquisition, resulting in a 40% reduction in data retrieval time for 100+ employees

#### PlayWell Teknologies

Jun. 2023 – Aug. 2023

 $STEM\ Lead\ Instructor$ 

DC, MD, VA

- Instructed **200+ K-5 students** in STEM across 10+ diverse schools and recreation centers, incorporating LEGO projects to integrate robotics and engineering principles
- Led teams of up to 6, fostering a collaborative environment emphasizing critical thinking and communication

YizzKicks
Founder and CEO

Dec. 2020 – Aug. 2022

Silver Spring, MD

- Led a 4-member team to establish and operate a successful online business, achieving \$50,000+ in sales
- Directed marketing campaigns and implemented competitive pricing strategies on high-demand footwear, clothing items, and technology, delivering value to 1,000+ customers
- Captured and refined product photos using **Adobe Photoshop**, **Illustrator**, and **Lightroom** for enhanced visual appeal and successful sales

#### Projects

 ${f TradeTorch} \mid HTML \mid TailwindCSS \mid ReactJS \mid TypeScript \mid Vite \mid React/Tanstack \ Query \mid Appwrite \ API$ 

• Developing TradeTorch web application, leveraging the **Appwrite API** to connect lifelong learners with like-minded individuals, established professionals, and a real community to share their thoughts and ideas

 $\mathbf{PixeLink} \mid HTML \mid TailwindCSS \mid JavaScript \mid QRCode.js \ API$ 

• Developed PixeLink, a QR Code Generator web application, leveraging the **QRCode.js API** to enhance functionality and user experience

## LEADERSHIP

#### Montgomery College | STEM Ambassador

Oct. 2023 – Present

- Actively contributes to the promotion of STEM education at Montgomery College through outreach activities, workshops, and events to inspire and mentor students in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
- Manages and curates content for the STEM Ambassador website, ensuring an engaging online presence that reflects the initiative's mission and impact