

# Antonio Alonso-Stepanov

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## Education

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### Student at Stanford University (June 2026 Expected Graduation)

- Major: Computer Science (Artificial Intelligence Track); Minor: Economics
- GPA: 4.09
- Completed Structural Liberal Education (SLE), a rigorous, year-long program on the Western intellectual tradition
- Clubs: BASES (entrepreneurship club; former VP) and [The Stanford Review](#) (independent newspaper; writer)
- 1 For 2 Education Foundation Scholarship Recipient (merit-based; \$20,000/yr) (2023)
- Won 2nd place for OpenAI prize at TreeHacks 2025 Hackathon

### Graduate of Athens Drive Magnet High School (2019-2023)

- Class rank: 1<sup>st</sup> out of 444
- 18 AP classes taken (5s on all AP Exams)
- Co-President of three clubs (400+ total members)
- USA Biology Olympiad Semifinalist (2022)
- SAT: 1590/1600; ACT: 36/36 (36 on all four sections); PSAT: 1520/1520 (National Merit Scholar)

## Professional Experience

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### Software Engineering Intern at Meta (Summer 2025)

- Built an internal tool to evaluate different LLM prompts and models for content integrity classification
- Responsible for both frontend (React) and backend (LLM use and data management)
- Collaborated with investigators, security engineers, and designers, pushing 10,000+ lines of code to production

### Software Engineering Intern at Meta (Summer 2024)

- Enhanced business onboarding flow for payments platform, implementing address typeahead with Hack/PHP
- Collaborated with cross-functional teams, pushing over 2,000 lines of code to production
- Built seven end-to-end tests in JavaScript that simulate different user interactions with the onboarding flow

### Research Assistant in the Keung Lab at North Carolina State University (2021–2023)

- Research focus: DNA-based data storage
- Conducted over 300 PCRs in support of solid-state DNA transfer experiments, procured and tested 5 compounds for increasing efficiency of DNA transfers, assembled oligonucleotide codewords to increase the efficiency of DNA data synthesis, and quantified the electrostatic transfer of powdered DNA

### Research Assistant in the Sozzani Lab at North Carolina State University (Summer 2020)

- Used machine learning to identify transcription activation domains in proteins

### Educational YouTube Channel: “[Hello World HD](#)” (2016–Present)

- Over 6,000 subscribers and 500,000 total views
- Video explaining CRISPR scored in top 0.5% of submissions in Breakthrough Junior Challenge, an international video-making competition, making it past the peer-review phase (summer 2019)
- Made videos on topics including artificial neural networks, my inventions, DNA-based data storage, and 3D bioprinting
- Projects for videos include [repurposing a 3D printer with Python](#), [coding a handwritten digit calculator using neural networks](#), and [creating a 3D printed weed killer for gardeners](#)
- Made additional [videos](#) as a TA for the NC School of Science and Mathematics covering the AI4K12 curriculum

## Skills

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- Languages & Frameworks: Python, C++, Java, JavaScript, Hack/PHP, React, SQL
- Machine Learning: PyTorch, Keras, NumPy, Pandas, scikit-learn
- Cloud & Developer Tools: Git, Linux/Unix, Google Cloud Platform (Compute Engine), Docker, Jest
- Additional Technical Skills: 3D modeling/printing (Blender), bioinformatics, molecular biology, video editing (Adobe suite), Microsoft Excel (Excel Expert Certified)
- Other: Russian language (fluent), third-degree black belt in karate