

# David Zhan

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## EDUCATION

### University of Massachusetts Amherst

MS, Computer Science  
BS, Computer Science

Major GPA: 4.0 | **Overall GPA: 3.98**

Expected: Sep 2024 - **May 2026**

Expected: Sep 2022 - May 2025

**Relevant Coursework:** Data Structures, Algorithms, ML, Databases, Networking, Web Dev, Game Dev, OS, etc.

**Skills:** JavaScript/TypeScript, Python, PyTorch, React.js, React Native, Java, C, HTML/CSS, PostgreSQL, Git

**Languages:** Native English and Chinese (Mandarin) speaker

**US Citizen**

## EXPERIENCE

### CollaboTech

Jan 2025 - Present

*Software Engineering Intern*

- Build CAD-like UI in Android Studio for industrial machinery, drawing 2D pathing and movement directions.
- Apply previous Java knowledge to learn Android development autonomously without previous experience
- Deliver project milestones on schedule, with my UI design and functionality meeting all client specifications.

### RadWatch — UC Berkeley

Jun - Aug 2021

*Data Analyst Intern*

Jun - Aug 2020

- Worked on DoseNet, an international sensor network for improving community understanding of radiation.
- Implemented and integrated Python scripts and web tools to process and visualize lots of radiation sensor data.
- Wrote report on my scripts proposing potential use cases while summarizing and documenting my process.

### UMass Amherst — CICS

Feb 2024 - Present

*Undergraduate Course Assistant (Undergraduate TA, 3 semesters)*

- **Outstanding UCA Award:** “extremely proactive, always steps up to help other course staff and has great ideas.”
- Grade assignments, teach concepts, help students in computer systems (C) and web development courses.
- Prepare for and present lessons, actively facilitating safe learning environment by encouraging questions.
- Increased student engagement during discussions, receiving positive feedback from my professor and students.

## PROJECTS

### Expenser

Nov 2024 - Present

*TypeScript/JavaScript, Python, LLM (Gemini), React Native, Expo*

[github.com/kimlengkit1/expenser](https://github.com/kimlengkit1/expenser)

- Allow friends to scan and split a receipt automatically when each item on the receipt will be split differently.
- Collaborated as large team with varying experience; dynamics and disagreements led to many conflicts.
- Stepped up as project lead, delegated tasks, mediated conflicts, answered questions, kept everyone on track.
- Resulted with near-ready demo app with basic functionality, able to present despite conflicts and issues.

### Blahgenda

Nov 2022

*JavaScript, React.js, HTML/CSS (Bulma/Sass)*

[blahgenda.dzhan.dev](https://blahgenda.dzhan.dev) — [devpost.com/software/blahgenda](https://devpost.com/software/blahgenda)

- Winning submission to HackUMass X in the category Best Use of Appwrite.
- Collaboratively developed a calendar to maximize user efficiency and glanceability while remaining beautiful.
- Designed UI, improved page flow, implemented core features, presented final product to judges.
- Built with React.js and Bulma CSS to quickly write efficient and maintainable code within the 36-hour hackathon.

### Personal Website

Oct 2017 - Present

*TypeScript/JavaScript, Next.js, React.js, HTML, Tailwind CSS, Git, Linux*

[davidzhan.com](https://davidzhan.com)

- Developed a Next.js static export site to display my programming portfolio, experiences, and contact information.
- Applied Tailwind CSS styling and React components to reduce code duplication and improve maintainability.