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EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA

Candidate for Bachelor of Science in Engineering in Computer Science (Cumulative GPA: 3.93/4.00)

May 2025

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, C, , C++, HTML/CSS, JavaScript, Typescript, SQL, Haskell

Developer Tools: QT Creator, Visual Studio Code, Unity, Google Colab, PowerBI, Power Automate, Microsoft Excel

Technologies/Frameworks: Linux, React, Git, Redux Toolkit, Express.js, Pandas

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

• Data Structures and Algorithms

- Big Data Analytics
- Mathematical Foundations of Computer Science
- AI/ML
- Operating Systems
- Databases and Information Systems
- JavaScript Programming
- Networks and Security
- Software Engineering
- Interactive Computer Graphics
- Python Programming

EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

University of Pennsylvania

Philadelphia, PA

Jan 2024 - Present

- Answer 10-20 student questions on the discussion board weekly
- Hold 2 hours of weekly office hours to guide students through assignments
- Assist with grading and provide constructive feedback to over 60 students

MetLife Whippany, NJ

Software Engineering Intern

June 2024 - Aug 2024

- Built a proof of concept (POC) for an AI application to query business PDFs, optimizing speed by 20% and improving accuracy by 30% using retrieval augmented generation techniques and different scoring mechanisms
- Augmented an existing PowerBI report by defining 10 additional columns and 2 new tables to calculate file delays based on past data and automated email alerts via Power Automate to notify the support team of significant delays

Steppingstone Scholars

Philadelphia, PA

Blended Learning Initiative (BLI) Instructor

June 2022 - Aug 2022

- Instructed Java to a classroom of 20 high school students. Facilitated lessons and activities, increasing student engagement by 25%
- Guided students through their final projects, which consisted of games and animations

PROJECTS

Collow | SQL, JavaScript, Express.js, React, Pandas

- Collaborated in a team of 4 to develop a full-stack web application using JavaScript, SQL, Express.js, and React, allowing users to find their ideal U.S. county based on various metrics
- Used Python pandas to clean and analyze two datasets with over 200, 000 rows total. Designed and managed a relational database over cleaned data
- Optimized query performance by 10% using structured queries and indices

Fly History | TypeScript, HTML, CSS

- Designed a browser extension that enables users to easily access and review past flight inquiries on Google Flights utilizing TypeScript and collaborating with frontend and backend engineers
- Led backend debugging efforts, identifying root causes of issues, testing hypotheses, implementing solutions, and retesting for accuracy. Reduced failures by 75% achieving target minimum viable product [MVP] for product launch

Duck Domination | C#, Unity

- Developed a top-down action-roguelite game using C# and Unity
- Improved enemy AI model through 5-10 iterative refinements, enhancing the player's experience
- object-oriented programming (OOP) principles to create maintainable, modular code, optimizing development efficiency

INTERESTS

Game Development, AI, Software Development, Volleyball, Running, Weight Lifting