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EDUCATION

Southeastern Louisiana University (SELU), Hammond, LA

B.S. Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics - Major GPA: 3.94/4.0

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures & Algorithms (Java), Software Engineering (ASP.NET),
Computer Architecture, Computer Organization, Game Development, AI/ML, Operating System

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Java, JavaScript, C#, Python, C++, SQL, HTML/CSS
- Frameworks/Tools: React, Vue, .NET Core, GitHub Actions, Express, Next.js, MongoDB, Firebase, Flask, FAST API, React Native, Microsoft Azure, WordPress, Docker, REST API, TensorFlow, Node.js, Linux

WORK EXPERIENCE

Student Developer, SLU Supply Chain Management Office

November 2024 - August 2025

Expected Graduation: May 2027

- Built and maintained web apps using React, Angular, and Ionic for academic research.
- Refined WordPress sites to enhance UX and streamline inter-departmental tasks, and integrated OpenAl API to build a chatbot for user-specific queries.
- Developed an e-library platform (React + Firebase) with copyright protection, live database and auto-expiry.

Computer Science Tutor, Praxis Preparation Tutoring, Energize Team

June 2025 - Present

- Tutored 30+ students in Java, Python, data structures, OOP, dynamic programming, graph algorithms (Dijkstra, BFS/DFS), recursion, and complexity analysis.
- Developed 50+ study resources (problem sets, mock exams, algorithm guides) on algorithms and CS fundamentals aligned with curriculum standards.
- Boosted student exam performance by 20%, measured through pre/post assessments.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Al Mock Interviewer - React + Al model (Phi-2)

May 2025 - June 2025

- Built an Al interview prep tool using Microsoft Phi-2 to analyze resumes and generate interview questions.
- Implemented text-chunking, keyword extraction, and custom-prompt question generation.
- Designed a responsive React + Mantine CSS frontend with history page and feedback module.
- Technologies: React, Node.js, Mantine CSS, Hugging Face (Phi-2), Prompt Engineering

LLM-Powered Document Assistant - Fine-tuned Phi-2

June 2025 - July 2025

- Fine-tuned Phi-2 model on domain-specific documents for context-aware PDF Q&A.
- Used **vector retrieval** and **prompt-tuning** for accurate, document-specific chatbot responses.
- <u>Technologies</u>: Python, Hugging Face, LangChain, React

ACTIV-ATE - Full-Stack Web App

January 2025 – May 2025

- Developed a **fitness tracking platform** for calorie intake, exercise logging, and progress visualization.
- Integrated C# .NET backend with MySQL to manage user goals, dynamic calorie calculations, and analytics.
- Technologies: C# .NET, React, MySQL, Mantine CSS

RIFT (Real-time Incident Forecasting & Triage)

August 2025 - Present

- **Developing deep learning + computer vision pipeline** for real-time incident detection using urban camera feeds and social signals.
- Building triage system with LLMs and interactive dashboard for live inference & analytics.
- <u>Technologies</u>: Python, PyTorch, YOLOv5, LLM APIs, React.js, Docker, Linux

AWARDS & LEADERSHIP

 Activities: Certificate of Technical Interview Practice with Java, Dean's List All Semester @SELU, Member of Association of Computing Machinery (ACM)