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EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology | Major: Computer Science, Minor: Law, Science, and Technology

- GPA: 4.0
- RoboJackets, SuperComputing@GT, Global Leadership, Women@CollegeOfComputing, Kappa Alpha Theta, Running Wreck

Eastern Mediterranean International School | IB Diploma 43/45 (Higher Level CS 7/7)

• Excellence Scholarship, Academic Achievement (Fall '22, Spring & Fall '23), SAT 1540/1600 (800/800 Math)

SKILLS

Computing:

- Programming Languages: Java, C++, Python, JavaScript
- AI/ML: TensorFlow, Computer Vision, Neural Networks
- Robotics: ROS2, PID Control, Linux •
- Development Tools: Git, GitHub, ClickUp
- Web-dev: HTML, CSS, SQL

Languages: English (Proficient), Spanish (Native), French (Conversational)

EXPERIENCE

AI Safety Fellow | AI Safety Initiative at Georgia Tech

- Leading a research project on global deepfake regulation under Dr. Margaret Kosal, aiming for publication in AAAI
- Conducting NLP and topic modeling analysis of EU, US, and China policy; identifying legal gaps and convergence opportunities
- Completed semester-long AI Safety Fellowship focused on alignment challenges, reward specification and scalable oversight

Software Developer | RoboJackets-RoboCup

- Selected as a member of software to represent the Georgia Tech team at 2025 International RoboCup Competition in Brazil •
- Contribute to a large-scale C++ ROS2-based codebase for intelligent robots developed on Linux systems •
- Collaborate with teammates using GitHub for version control and ClickUp for project management

You.com Campus Leader | You.com

- Raise brand awareness, organized a workshop on AI agents attended by students from Georgia Tech, Yale, Columbia, NYU
- Attend monthly leadership meetings with cross-functional teams to gain insights into AI industry developments

Student Volunteer | SuperComputing@GT

- Assist in the Georgia Tech Booth at SC24, the premier international conference for HPC
- Participate in monthly CUDA/C++ workshops for parallel computing as well as weekly graduate student talks on HPC research •

Developer | Personalized Word Count for Google Docs

- Developed and published a Google Docs extension with **JavaScript** to generate live user-personalized word counts
- Created and privately hosted a supporting website with Squarespace that includes privacy policy and terms of service
- Published in the Google Workspace Marketplace achieving +1000 downloads

Head of Software | Robotics First Tech Challenge | BFC #20669

- Developed and debugged code in Java using OOP and version control through Git •
- Led a team writing Java code for Autonomous Movement with PID and Computer Vision through OpenCV
- Achieved top 10 ranking in Israel, won a qualifying competition, and awarded the Design Prize

Researcher | Denoising Autoencoders

- Wrote a Jupyter Notebook with Google Colab to create a denoising autoencoder
- Tuned the model's hyperparameters with Tensorflow reducing the MSE by 15%
- Explained the findings on the deblurring of handwritten digits from the MNIST dataset in a technical paper

AWARDS & CERTIFICATIONS

AI@ATL Hackathon: AI Safety Initiative Track Winner | Major League Hacking

- Created synthetic medical dataset in JSON to conduct prompt injection testing
- Presented live demo to MLH judges leveraging Claude and Gemini APIs with Python achieving 1st place out of 15 teams

Machine Learning Specialization | DeepLearning.AI & Stanford University -Coursera

Developed ML conceptual knowledge through 3 courses with 15+ Jupyter notebook assignments using TensorFlow and Numpy Apr. 2022

AI & Law (with Honors) | Lund University -Coursera

Dove into the significance of the disruption in AI in the legal field including labor, intellectual property and health law

Sept. 2022 - May 2024

Sept. 2022 - Oct. 2024

Jun. 2023 - Aug. 2023

Jan. 2025 - Present

May 2028

Aug. 2022 - May 2024

Aug. 2024 - Present

Oct. 2024 - May 2025

Aug. 2024 - Present

Jun. 2024 - Aug. 2024

Oct. 2024