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EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison

B.S. in Computer Science, Mathematics, and Philosophy GPA: 3.74/4.0 **Related Courses:** Introduction to Artificial Intelligence, Building User Interfaces, Linear Algebra, Applied Linear Algebra, Introduction to Probability Theory, Machine Organization, Programming III, Data Structures and Algorithms

EXPERIENCE

Software Technical Lead

Wisconsin Messenger

May 2024 - December 2024 *Madison, WI*

- Led two teams of 5 software engineers each, while coordinating with an additional 10+ developers to deliver a digital newspaper project, sent out to over 47,000 students.
- Directed and contributed to developing a Python program extracting 8,000+ articles weekly from 130+ RSS feeds, using NLP techniques to group, filter, and recommend articles for publication.
- Integrated over 125 unit and integration tests to ensure robust software and data extraction.
- Spearheaded the development of a React and TypeScript website showcasing the latest publications and providing an intuitive interface for browsing archived articles.
- Authored technical documentation for software development processes, reviewed over 60 GitHub pull requests to ensure code quality, and facilitated Agile ceremonies across all teams.

PROJECTS

Bots for Ultimate Tic-Tac-Toe | *Python, PyTorch, CNN, Deep Learning* Dec 2024 - April 2025

- Developed multiple AI agents for U3T using PyTorch, fine-tuned for position evaluation.
- Restructured and optimized an 8-million-example dataset generated via Monte Carlo Tree Search (MCTS) into an optimized format, then transformed it into tensors and labels for training.
- Developed and trained convolutional and deep dense networks to optimize game state evaluation, outperforming previous bots in head-to-head performance.
- Designed full game logic in Python, enabling seamless integration with AI agents for gameplay.

SpotifAl | React, Next.js, TypeScript, Gemini API, Spotify API May 2024 - July 2024

- Developed a full-stack web application that utilizes the Spotify API and its authorization flow to create and generate playlists for Spotify Users using Next.js.
- Integrates with the Gemini API's LLM to recommend a playlist title based on the playlist image and contents of the playlist.

GitHub ReadMe Philosophical Quotes API | Express.js, React, SQL April 2024 - July 2024

- Engineered an Express.js function component API on Vercel that uses REST to generate a unique SVG of a random quote from 39 famous philosophers, for use in GitHub ReadMes.
- Created a full-stack demo website using Vite + React + TypeScript to allow users to easily get the HTTPS request parameters to use in their personalized requests.
- Utilized SQLite to store and access each of the 100 unique quotes.

Wisconsin Family Home Finder | Python, Flask, React, API, UI/UX

- Developed a full-stack web application with a team utilizing React and Flask to assist families in selecting the ideal city in Wisconsin from a pool of 256 based on their personal preferences.
- Collaborated with a team to design a Python Flask backend that filters data based on 4 key metrics: safety, employability, education, and budget, to recommend a city to the user.

May 2027 *GPA: 3.74/4.00*

February 2024

COMPUTER SKILLS

- **Programming Languages & Technologies:** Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, Java, C, MATLAB, React, React Native, Node.js, Next.js, Express.js, Flask, REST, SQL, LaTeX
- **Development Tools:** Git, AWS, Google Cloud, Docker, Unix/Linux environments, Figma, Vercel, GitHub Actions, MongoDB, Postman, Jupyter Notebook, wit.ai, Hugging Face
- Libraries: PyTorch, TensorFlow, scikit-learn, NLTK, NumPy, SciPy, pandas, Polars, geopandas, PyArrow, Matplotlib, OpenCV, Lightning Al
- **Design and Development Methodologies:** Full-Stack Web Development, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Computer Vision, Object-Oriented Programming, Test-Driven Development, Software Architecture, CI/CD, Agile Methodologies, DevOps, Technical Project Leadership