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EDUCATION

Harvard University

Cambridge, MA

A.B. in Computer Science and Economics

Aug 2023 - May 2027

- Coursework: Discrete Mathematics, Intro to Algorithms, Linear Algebra, Data Structures & Algorithms, Computation for Contemporary Sciences, Visualization, Introduction to Probability, GenAI
- Clubs: Harvard WECode, Harvard Women in CS, HUMIC, Harvard Society of Black Scientists and Engineers, Harvard African Students Association

TECHNICAL SKILLS

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

Frameworks & Libraries: FastAPI, React.js, Next.js, LangChain, Tailwind CSS, Node.js, Bootstrap, Frappe, Flask, TensorFlow,

PvTorch

Databases & Tools: MySQL, PostgreSQL, Pinecone (vector database), Git, Docker, REST APIs

Programs & Certificates

Amazon Web Services (AWS) Skill Builder — 1) Introduction to Generative AI, 2) AWS Technical Essentials	Oct 2025
Salesforce Trailhead Academy — Get Started with Agentforce for Service (AFS002)	Oct 2025
CodePath — Intermediate Technical Interview Prep	$\mathrm{Sep}\ 2025$
The Global Career Accelerator — Coding for Web Track	May 2025
Relevant Work Experience	

Harvard College GenAI Research Program

Cambridge, MA

June 2025 - Aug 2025

Software Engineering Intern

- Built a bilingual RAG tutor enabling Swahili-speaking students to access curriculum-aligned content.
- Processed 1K+ textbook chunks with LangChain, Pinecone, and GPT-4 Turbo, achieving 95% retrieval accuracy.
- Designed RESTful APIs and optimized PostgreSQL schemas in FastAPI to support chapter- and question-level queries.
- Developed three tutor modes (summarization, revision Q&A, free-form) with a Next.js/Tailwind frontend and FastAPI backend, achieving <2s response times.
- Piloted with 56 students; dual-language (English + Swahili) output improved comprehension and aligned with syllabus.

Kerugoya County Referral Hospital

Kerugoya, Kenya

Software Engineering Intern / Priscilla Chan Fellow

- June 2024 Aug 2024
- Built hospital management portal automating records, billing, and scheduling for 1,000+ patients, cutting wait times by 30%.
- Developed ERP/EMR modules in Java/Python with Frappe, deployed via Docker, and integrated MySQL + REST APIs.
- Worked across Agile sprints on feature design, reviews, debugging, and testing; reduced post-deployment defects by 25%.

TECHNICAL PROJECTS (VIEW FULL GALLERY)

Adaptive Swahili-English AI Curriculum Tutor

June 2025 - Aug 2025

- Designed RAG pipeline with PDF parsing, embeddings, and metadata filters using LangChain, Pinecone, and GPT-4 Turbo.
- Developed FastAPI backend with REST endpoints and PostgreSQL schemas supporting scalable chapter-level queries.
- Built Next.js/Tailwind frontend enabling summarization, revision Q&A, and free-form modes with <2s latency.

WECode Conference Platform

Sep 2025 - Present

- Develop backend workflows for authentication, registration, and mentorship matching using React and Supabase.
- Build reusable components supporting onboarding for 1,200+ users.
- Oversee testing, deployment, and CI/CD ensuring reliability and scalability.

Nyeri Hospice Messaging Infrastructure

July 2019 - Aug 2019

- Built a DeskAlert messaging system in Python, Node.js, and MySQL to coordinate staff-patient communication.
- Implemented message queuing and logging to improve reliability and reduce response times by 40%.

Leadership & Activities

Associate Director of Engineering

Harvard Undergraduate Machine Intelligence Community (HUMIC)

Cambridge, MA Sept 2024 - Present

Project Lead & Web Scraping Engineer

• Promoted from Fellow to Project Lead; developed Harvard's first self-learning assistant using CrewAI multi-agent frameworks.

• Built web scraping pipelines with Python (BeautifulSoup, Requests) and BraveSearch API to collect educational content.

Coordinate profiling, ranking, and roadmap teams integrating user data for personalized learning.

Harvard WECode

Cambridge, MA

Sept 2025 - Present

- Co-develop WECode's inaugural engineering portal for the world's largest student-run women-in-tech conference (1,200+ attendees).
- Implement authentication, registration, and event logistics using React and Supabase.
- Oversee technical planning, code reviews, and deployment cycles ensuring scalability and maintainability.