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Education

MS Computer Science University of New Mexico – Albuquerque, NM	Expected: May 2024 GPA: 3.66/4.0
BS Computer Science University of New Mexico – Albuquerque, NM Minors: Mathematics, Japanese	May 2022 GPA: 3.94/4.0

Experience

Research Assistant <i>COSMIAC – Albuquerque, NM</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Leading a distributed controls testbed project to demonstrate its potential for space solar power applications as part of the AFRL SSPIDR project.	Aug 2022 - Present
NASA Pathways Intern <i>NASA Ames Research Center – Mountain View, CA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Applied natural language processing (NLP) technologies to help NASA streamline the mission certification process for project managers.Developed Python scripts to store mission certification items in a Neo4j database, an API to fetch data, and a UI in React JS to display items on a web dashboard.	June 2022 – Aug 2022
Student Technical Specialist <i>COSMIAC – Albuquerque, NM</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Researched Keras models to improve solar panel detection for computer vision applications in space.Assessed strategies to convert Darknet model weights to TensorFlow-Keras implementation of YOLOv3 for object detection.	Sep 2021 – May 2022
Software Engineer Intern <i>LinkedIn – Sunnyvale, CA</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Developed contextual tooltips using Ember.js and JavaScript for Sales Navigator to aid onboarding process for new users to utilize the product quickly and efficiently.Wrote a report on benefits and future potential of using a Session Replay tool in Sales Navigator to better understand user onboarding.	May 2021 - Aug 2021

Awards & Memberships

Security Clearance:	Top Secret
UNM IEEE:	Web Master 2021-2022, 2022-2023, member since 2020.
UNM SWE:	Social Media Committee 2020-2021, member since 2019.
UNM Swimming:	Division 1 athletics, Scholarship Athlete, Co-Captain 2021-2022.
NMOST Scholarship:	2021 Advancing Young Women in STEM Scholarship for passion and commitment to the pursuit of knowledge in the STEM fields.
NSF S-STEM Scholar:	Scholarship program tasked with service learning/community engagement activities with local nonprofits to work on a technical project that will benefit the community. Spring 2021.
Women in Tech Scholarship:	2022 NMTC Women in Technology Scholarship for education, job retraining, or certification to progress career in technology.