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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

Bachelor's, Computer Science and Economics

Machine Learning | Data Science | Random Processes | Graphics | Data Structures | Algorithms | Decentralized Finance
Industrial Organization | Game Theory | Financial Econ | Econometrics | Behavioral Econ | Macro Policy | Product Management
Cabin Manager of Cal Ski Team (competed in Nationals across 3 disciplines, team sponsored by RedBull)

2024

GPA: 3.9

EXPERIENCE

Chalk

Developer Relations

San Francisco, CA

March 2026 - Present

- Led go-to-market for Chalk Compute, owning the launch page, technical documentation, and a suite of runnable walkthroughs
- Authored technical and thought-leadership content driving engagement to Chalk's website
- Designed and wrote Chalk's first OOH Campaign (Buses + Billboards)
- Represented Chalk at industry events including Snowflake Summit, AI Council, and hackathons
- Served as Chalk's editorial backstop for technical accuracy — reviewing outbound content across marketing, sales, and engineering, and authoring competitive battlecards and sales collateral

Coinbase

Backend Software Engineer, Payments

San Francisco, CA

Aug 2024 - Feb 2026

- Resolved ~90% of incomplete payments (~500/month) and saved ~40 ops hours/month by replacing a error-prone manual credit process with an automated BAU-aligned reprocessing flow (**Go, React**)
- Eliminated ~\$1.1B in monthly finance reconciliation and data breaks used for external audits by implementing automated full-platform entries for funds moved manually
- Cut payment-rail onboarding time by ~10 eng weeks with a new extensible API primitive and redirect-payment workflows; leveraged this to onboard Dutch bank partners and roll out the new flow to customers, supported by internal demos to accelerate adoption.
- Reduced stuck-payment debugging time by 40% by emitting standardized status events across all payment rails (**Kafka, Ruby**)
- 2nd in the Coinbase Onchain Hackathon - built a smart contract with image upload and voting to keep friends accountable (**Solidity, React**)

Chime

Product Management Intern, DSML - ML Platform

San Francisco, CA

May - Aug 2023

- Spearheaded development on ROI tooling saving \$400K/yr by identifying ML infra inefficiencies, driving data-backed cost reduction
- Managed cross-functional projects by conducting user interviews, aligning stakeholders, and analyzing data (**Snowflake + Looker**)
- Standardized feature/model deprecation process, tripling usability + adoption; drafted PRD's

Amazon Web Services

Software Development Engineer Intern, Wickr - Android

New York, NY

May - Aug 2022

- Conducted market research, designed and implemented live, in-line, scalable markdown rendering of text (**Kotlin**)
- Collaborated with Design Team to create onscreen layout designs, scope and impact (**Figma**)
- Ensured cross-platform consistency; drafted a comprehensive suite of unit tests

UC Berkeley, Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences (EECS)

Undergraduate Student Instructor (TA) for Designing Information Systems

Berkeley, CA

Jan 2021 - Dec 2022

- Directed laboratory for 80 students per semester, fostering collaboration and adapting to varied strengths
- Assessed student performance on technical projects, providing guidance and feedback (**Numpy, Pandas, Python**)
- Managed 6 Academic Student Employees per semester, optimizing contributions to support teaching goals

Fossil Free California, UC Berkeley

URAP Undergrad Researcher, Fossil Fuel Divestment

Berkeley, CA

Aug 2021 - May 2022

- Analyzed economic risks of fossil fuel investments, delivering data-driven divestment insights (**SQL**)
- Created visualizations and models to forecast impacts, guiding strategic decision-making (**Matplotlib, Seaborn, Excel**)