

# Alexander Halpern

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Virginia, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, Charlottesville, VA**  
**B.S. Computer Science and Systems Engineering**

May 2026

GPA: 4.00 / 4.00

- Raven Society (1 student Raven for every 200 full-time students)
- Rodman Scholar (Top 5% of Engineering School)

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Algorithms, Computer Systems & Organization 1, Linear Algebra, Probability, Fall 2024: NLP

## ACHIEVEMENTS & ACTIVITIES

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**1<sup>ST</sup> Place – UVA Hackathon, Charlottesville, VA**

March 2024

- Won UVA's HooHacks Art and Gaming category for, KeyGlow, a visual and virtual piano tutor.

**Stanford University TreeHacks Hackathon, Stanford, CA**

March 2024

- ~7.5% acceptance rate. Created conversational AI to help elderly who live alone.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Meta Undergraduate Data Analytics Case Competition, Charlottesville, VA**

November 2023

- Top 5 Finalist out of 100+ Participating Teams.
- Utilized K-Means clustering and Principal Component Analysis (PCA) to derive significant insights from data.

**UVA Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo, Charlottesville, VA**

August 2022 – Present

- Pianist. Highest Skill Level Combo.

## EXPERIENCE

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**Versatile Credit, Mechanicsburg, PA**

Software Engineer Intern

June 2024 – August 2024

- Conceptualized and engineered DataPal, an AI tool using Python, LangChain, and RAG to automate insights from a 200-table SQL database. Deployed 4 AI agents to extract, visualize data, reducing generation time by 99.7% (2 hours to 20 seconds).
- Presented DataPal to my manager, which led to an invitation to present to the C-Suite and 30-person tech team, earning recognition from leadership and investors as a potential key contributor to the company's AI strategy.

**UVA Biocomplexity Institute, Charlottesville, VA**

Machine Learning Researcher

June 2024 – Present

- Implementing heterogeneous data pipelines within a data engineering framework to train Machine Learning models using both GPUs and CPUs, enabling us to leverage the power of UVA's Rivanna HPC for conducting complex fluid dynamics simulations.
- Interacting with parallel computing frameworks such as NCCL, PyTorch Distributed, Apache Spark, Dask, and MPI.

**IBM, Armonk, NY**

Accelerate Program Member

June 2024 – July 2024

- Learned foundational skills including professionalism, relationship building, and networking.
- Worked with React.JS to create a to-do list application that is thoroughly tested with Jest.

**Google Developer Groups, Charlottesville, VA**

Lead / President at UVA

August 2023 – Present

- Restarted the club at UVA, formed a core team of 7 students, and **recruited over 600 members**.
- Organize events for 100+ attendees, including workshops on Google technologies and speaker sessions with Google engineers.

**Panthera, New York, NY**

Machine Learning Intern

June 2023 – August 2023

- Developed cutting-edge TinyML object detection model that operates in real-time, effectively identifying potential wildlife poachers within the field of view of the Panthera PoacherCam V7. Leveraged a dataset of over 7,000 images of wild cats taken on 25 cameras stationed in unique conservation sites around the world, including Vietnam, Nepal, and Gabon.

## PROJECTS

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**Scoper, Weston, CT** | [beta.scoper.us](http://beta.scoper.us)

August 2023 - Present

- Developed advanced, machine learning assisted patent search tool made in ViteJS. Allows users to search a PostgreSQL database hosted on AWS's RDS of 150 Million+ patents using natural language, retrieve highly relevant results through the use of vector embeddings, and "chat" with a specific patent and learn more about it using Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG).

**Safeline, Weston, CT** | [www.yoursafeline.com](http://www.yoursafeline.com)

June 2022 - Present

- Featured on CBS, NBC, and FOX television in Virginia
- Built mobile app that three-dimensionally superimposes a school campus blueprint on Mapbox satellite image and allows students to report school safety incidents in real-time to faculty, who are alerted via a dashboard made with React.JS and Firebase.

## SKILLS

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Programming Languages: Python, Java, JavaScript, C, C++, HTML5, CSS, SQL, MySQL, MATLAB

Technologies: PyTorch, AWS, Firebase, Google Cloud Platform, Heroku, React Native, NodeJS, Express, ReactJS, Flask, Docker, TensorFlow, PostgreSQL, Mongo, Pandas, WebSocket, Git, REST APIs, Sklean