CRISTIAN HERNANDEZ – SOFTWARE ENGINEER

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EDUCATION

University of South Florida (USF) Tampa, FL

Bachelor (BS) of Science in Computer Science – Expected Dec 2026 - GPA: 4.0 | Dean's List

Hillsborough Community College (HCC) Tampa, FL

Associate Degree (AA) in Computer Science – Graduated in 2024 - GPA: 4.0 | Dean's List

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures (C++) & Algorithms (Python), Software Engineering (COBOL),

Database Design Systems (SQL), Big Data (Hadoop), Robotics (Python), Statistics

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming: Python, C/C++, JavaScript, Java, C#, SQL, COBOL, Git

Tools & Frameworks: Agile, AWS, Docker, Hadoop, Pandas, NumPy, Node.js, Next.js, GitHub

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer Intern: The Family Jewelry, May 2025 – Present

- Built and launched a customer-facing website using JavaScript, HTML/CSS, and WordPress, improving local SEO and increasing client acquisition by 45% within 1 months.
- Managed end-to-end deployment and maintenance of web infrastructure, achieving **90+ performance scores** in Lighthouse for load speed and accessibility.

Chick-fil-A Team Leader | January 2021 – June 2024

- Led and motivated a team of 20+ employees, increasing operational efficiency by 15% through resource management, collaborative training, and effective communication.
- Trained the team members on service standards and workplace responsibilities, fostering leadership, adaptability, and teamwork while supporting a productive work environment.

PROJECTS

Financial Tracker | Node.js, TypeScript, React, PostgreSQL | Website Link | GitHub

- Built and deployed a secure **full-stack** financial tracking platform with user authentication and persistent **data storage**, enabling real-time expense monitoring.
- Leveraged AI-powered insights to analyze spending habits and deliver personalized recommendations, helping users cut expenses by 30% through data-driven guidance.

Autonomous Robot Navigation System | Python, Webots | Demo

- Developed a robot navigation model using **navigation techniques** and **particle filters for localization**, achieving a **98% collision-free rate** in simulated environments.
- Integrated multiple sensor inputs using OOP principles for real-time navigation and obstacle detection.

InCollege Social Networking Platform | COBOL, Agile, Git | GitHub

- Collaborated in a 5-person Agile Scrum team using Jira and Git branching strategies to deliver a modular COBOL-based social networking platform with authentication, account management, and interactive navigation features across 3 sprints.
- Streamlined development by designing reusable subprogram architecture and automating builds with Make, improving maintainability and workflow efficiency by 60%.

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) | Member - University of South Florida | 2024 – Present

 Attended coding sessions and workshops on ML, cloud, and system design to improve problemsolving and communication skills.