Nandana Sheri

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EDUCATION

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Masters of Science in Computer Science and Engineering

University of Illinois Chicago (UIC)

May 2025

Expected Graduation: May 2027

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science | GPA: 4.0 | Honors: Summa Cum Laude, Dean's List

- Relevant Coursework: Software Engineering | | Secure Web App Development | Artificial Intelligence
- Professional Affiliations: Stanford TreeHacks 2025 Winner | Tapia Scholarship Recipient | Google exploreCSR

SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, SQL, C/C++, Java

Frameworks: React, Node, Express, Flask, Astro, Tailwind, Git, Figma, AWS, Pandas, PyTorch, Jira, Postman, LangChain

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

LLM Researcher | UIC Department of Computer Science, Chicago IL

June 2025 - Present

Building a reproducible LLM evaluation pipeline using LangChain and Ollama, aiming to benchmark multimodal
 LLM accuracy in generating radiology reports across 50 X-ray scans, improving diagnostic reliability.

Software Engineering Intern | CNA Insurance, Chicago IL

June 2024 - Aug 2024

- Enhanced user experience for 43,000+ insurance agencies by migrating legacy jQuery-based components to React.js for the CNA Surety Portal (online.cnasurety.com).
- Reduced bond cancellation processing time from **1 week to 2 minutes** by automating request submissions with PrimeReact and SOAP API integration.
- Collaborated effectively in **2 week** Agile sprints, leveraging pair programming to deliver robust solutions aligning technical work with critical business objectives.

Head Teaching Assistant | UIC Department of Computer Science, Chicago IL

Jan 2022 - May 2025

- Guided over 300 students across 4 courses (Advanced Data Structures, Program Design I & II, and Discrete Mathematics) by debugging in C++ & Python through weekly office hours.
- Created over 7 "jumpstart" slide decks and starter code templates for projects, boosting student readiness.

Software Engineering Intern | *LitPath, Remote*

May 2023 - Aug 2023

- Designed and developed an in-house Therapist Admin Portal with React.js and MySQL for a nonprofit health provider (<u>litpath.org</u>), empowering staff to efficiently create, edit and search across 40,000+ therapist profiles.
- Eliminated dependence on a third-party data provider by building efficient RESTful API routes using Sequelize.

PROJECTS

<u>Chat R3wind</u> | React, TypeScript, Astro, Node, Recharts

Aug 2024 - Jan 2025

- Built an application (<u>r3wind.chat</u>) that generates Spotify Wrapped–style summaries of WhatsApp chat archives averaging **10,000 messages** entirely in-browser preserving **100% data privacy.**
- Designed interactive chat insights (top texters, response time, emojis, streaks) to help users reflect on their
 WhatsApp habits all rendered using TypeScript and Recharts.

<u>SurviveX</u> (Stanford TreeHacks Winner) | ExecuTorch, Llama 3.2-1B, Swift

Feb 2025

- Built and deployed a real-time <u>Embedded Al survival assistant</u> on Apple Vision Pro using Llama 3.2-1B model, running on-device with ExecuTorch; won Stanford TreeHacks out of 300 participants.
- Fine-tuned Llama using Torchtune using an NVIDIA H100 on survival scenarios to improve contextual accuracy.

<u>Timesheet Automate</u> | Google Calendar API, OAuth2, Express, React, Node

May 2024 - June 2024

 Created a tool to eliminate repetitive timesheet submissions for Teaching Assistants at UIC by auto-generating reports using Google Calendar API and OAuth2, cutting submission time from 10 minutes to 5 seconds.

LEADERSHIP & EXTRACURRICULARS

Women in Computer Science | *President*

June 2022 - May 2025

- Increased membership by 30% by hosting over 20 professional skill-building events, engaging 450 students.
- Launched a Dev Project cohort for **over 50 students** to gain real-world experience by building web apps in teams, helping bridge the gap between coursework and practical development.

SparkHacks: UIC Hackathon | *Director*

Jan 2023 - Feb 2024

Managed 5 teams and raised \$40,000 by collaborating with 8 companies to host a hackathon for 300 students.