Daniel J Efres

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EDUCATION

University of Central Florida

Orlando, FL

Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science, Minor in Mathematics

Expected Grad: May 2027

- Honors/Awards: Dean's List Fall 2023, Dean's List Spring 2024, Dean's List Fall 2024
- Organizations and Affiliations: Knight Hacks, Society of Hispanic Engineers, ColorStack

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern

May 2025 - Aug 2025

BNY

Lake Mary, FL

• Joined the BNY Software Engineering team as an incoming intern.

Software Engineering Intern

Mar 2025 – Present

CDL Techrangers

Orlando, FL

 Programmed and optimized React/Django web applications supporting 60,000+ students and faculty by refactoring database queries, and containerizing services with Docker—improving page-load times by 30%.

• Developed the Intelligent Course Search LTI with React, Django, and PostgreSQL vector embeddings;

integrated local LLM inference via Ollama and AWS Bedrock—tweaking Docker configs and model pipelines to cut latency by 20% and enable offline development.

Secretary Feb 2025 – Present

 $Knight\ Hacks$

Orlando, FL

- Managed access credentials and led onboarding initiatives, ensuring seamless integration for **60+** members while coordinating event spaces and logistics with UCF Registrar for hackathons, workshops, and meetings.
- Led efforts to secure sponsorships from corporate partners, fostering long-term relationships to support Knight Hacks VIII and ensuring its success for 600+ attendees, including workshops, activities, and ceremonies.

Projects

Riffs | React, Next.js, TypeScript, Tailwind CSS, Pitchy, FL Studio

Apr 2025 – Present

- Won 1st place for Best App at Bitcamp 2025.
- Created a music tool which converts hummed melodies to editable guitar tabs via pitch detection.
- Integrated a real-time guitar sample playback with tempo control using **Pitchy** and **FL Studio**, and developed a game-like UI overlay with camera-driven animations to enhance interactivity and learning by 70% using it.

SightSync | Python, OpenCV, MediaPipe, PyAutoGUI, Pygame

Apr 2025 - Present

- Built a system-level tool for hands-free control of the OS via eye tracking and voice commands.
- Mapped head and eye movements to cursor with 90% accuracy using MediaPipe and OpenCV.
- Integrated PyAutoGUI for OS-level mouse and keyboard commands used with one's voice.

- Developed a hackathon management platform with role-based authentication for secure access.
- Architected scalable database schemas with **Drizzle** and **PostgreSQL** for high-volume data.
- Enhanced UI/UX with responsive design principles, improving accessibility and engagement.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, C, C++, Java, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, TypeScript

Frameworks/Libraries: React, Angular, React Native, Django, Tailwind CSS, Node.js, Next.js, OpenCV, Drizzle,

tRPC, Prisma, Tkinter, Pygame

Developer Tools: Git, GitHub, Docker, Linux, PostgreSQL, SQLite, VS Code, Vercel, Blender, Onshape