

# Tarun Eswar

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## EDUCATION

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**Washington University St. Louis (B.A. Applied Math + Computer Science)** Expected YOG: 2027  
GPA: 4.0/4.0  
Relevant Coursework: Calculus III, Discrete Math, Introduction to Hardware Engineering, Algorithms

**Worcester Polytechnic Institute (High School Dual Enrollment)** 2023-2024  
GPA: 4.0/4.0 (Dean's List)  
Coursework: Object-Oriented Design, Systems Design, Calculus I-III, Applied Statistics

## EXPERIENCE

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**Rakuten Group, Inc** **Remote**  
*Software Engineering Intern/Trainee* Jul 2023 | Aug 2023

- Co-developed a QA chatbot (LLMs) to answer company legal questions (95% coverage) with Tiger Team and used quantization methods to optimize Llama2 and Vicuna and store embeddings in a ChromaDB vector.
- Achieved accurate results with response of ~2.5 seconds (12GB GPU tunneling) and created Django QA model API (Express) with dashboard (React) and JWT / Rakuten legal recommendations to protect documents.
- Contributed KPI UI feature components for a production B2B product (Cognitive AIOps) on a three-stage testing workflow with proprietary component libraries. Worked with Redux, Typescript, and Vue framework.

**Rakuten Group, Inc** **Remote**  
*Software Engineering Intern/Trainee* Jun 2022 | Aug 2022

- Developed on the initial data observability platform (SixthSense) with Vue.js, Node.js, and Elastic Cloud.
- Optimized the capabilities for local test acceleration and incident management of the web application.
- Mastered Bitbucket, JIRA, scrum workflow, and proprietary component library with junior developers.

**Tufts Financial Group** **Medford, MA**  
*Contract Developer* Sep 2022 | Jan 2023

- Collaborated with club executives to revamp web app and SEO capabilities for the 50+ member club.
- Improved page interactions by 10% and created a more accessible layout and UX for all audiences.
- Managed minor budget of \$1000 provided by the team for various improvement tasks on the web application.

**AiDa Technologies** **Remote**  
*Machine Learning Intern* Jul 2022 | Dec 2022

- Pre-processed client and insurance claim data with Python (Jupyter NB, Pandas) processing techniques.
- Contributed to three different datasets to normalize and prune thousands of client data for ML models.

## VOLUNTEERING

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**Independent Community Service Project** **Boston, MA**  
*Founder* Jun 2021 | Dec 2021

- Provided complimentary web services for 8 local businesses suffering from COVID-19 shutdowns.
- Interviewed by Diane Cho on NBC Boston April 7, 2022, for exceptional community service (100+ hours).

## RESEARCH / PROJECTS

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**Digital Sign-in/out System** | [GitHub](#) Oct 2022 | May 2024

- Developed an end-to end sign-in/out system using MySQL, Raspi, and React/Node.js/Express.js.
- Integrated with 100+ students/admin and used as a production app (access restricted) at MA Academy.

**"Dimensionally reduced model for predicting octanol-water partition coeff."** | WPI Feb 2023 | August 2023

- Collaborated with the WPI Dynamics Lab to provide a user-friendly application component for a novel machine learning application published in the *Journal of Cheminformatics*.

**Modeling T1 Resting-State MRI Variants in OCD Patients** | [GitHub](#) | [Paper](#) Aug 2022 | Feb 2023

- Researched and developed novel neural networks (published) with strong levels of accuracy to determine the casual factor in OCD. Used TensorFlow, ResNet50, heatmap matrices, and deployment technologies.

## CERTIFICATES / AWARDS

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**2024 GoatHacks (HackWPI) - Winning Team (Placed 1<sup>st</sup>/50+ teams)** Feb. 2024

**State of Massachusetts - Seal of Biliteracy in English and Japanese** Jan. 2024

**Purple Comet International Math Meet – Honorable Mention (27<sup>th</sup> / 1100 participants)** May, 2023

## SKILLS

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**Languages:** English (Native Proficiency), Tamil (Conversational), Japanese (Intermediate), and Spanish (Elementary)

**Programming:** Python, PHP, Java, HTML/CSS, JavaScript/Typescript, Swift, MySQL, MongoDB, ElasticDB

**Libraries:** Pandas, PyTorch, NumPy, TensorFlow, Sci-kit Learn, React Bootstrap, AntDesign, MUI, Tailwind

**Frameworks:** Vue.js, React.js, Next.js, Node.js, Flutter

**Interests:** cooking, 365toJapan, pickup basketball, Adele