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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON

Bachelor of Science

Major in Computer Science; Minors in Mathematics

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures, Algorithms, Operating Systems, Computer Organization & Architecture, Game Development, Data Science & Machine Learning

Technical Skills: C++, Python, R, Linux, HTML, JavaScript, CSS, Java (working knowledge)

Tools & Soft Skills: Microsoft Office, Canva, Teamwork, Leadership, Multilingualism, Project Management, Problem-Solving

Houston, TX

Expected May 2026

EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES AND MATHEMATICS

NSM Student Leader

Houston, TX

April 2025 – Present

- Selected to represent the College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics for the 2025–2026 academic year.
- Mentor first-year and transfer students, lead recruitment events, and connect students with academic and career resources.
- Contribute as part of the Social Engagement Team, designing posts for the official NSM Instagram account to enhance student outreach and engagement.

TRANSTURK DENIZCILIK NAKLIYAT TICARET LTD. STI.

Marketing Manager

Istanbul, TUR

Mar 2025 – Present

- Launched and managed Instagram and LinkedIn accounts to build brand presence in the logistics industry.
- Created and published 10+ posts, generating 4,700+ total views within 6 months, achieving a high reach-to-follower ratio.

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON EXPLORATORY STUDIES

Peer Mentor

Houston, TX

Oct 2023 – Jun 2024

- Mentored 70 students, providing guidance on academic policies, major/minor options, and faculty expectations.
- Supported departmental operations with administrative tasks such as data entry, answering calls, and assisting students.

IDEAL SHIPPING

Intern

Istanbul, TUR

Jun 2021 – Aug 2021

- Gained exposure to customs declaration and logistics documentation.

DARDANOS SHIPPING

Intern

Istanbul, TUR

Jun 2019 – Aug 2019

- Supported coordination of container transportation with shipping companies.

PROJECTS

COUGAR FLIGHT (UNITY 2D GAME DEVELOPMENT PROJECT)

Unity Game Developer

Houston, TX

August 2025

- Designed and developed a Flappy Bird–style 2D mobile/desktop game featuring the University of Houston’s cougar mascot in Unity using C#.
- Implemented object pooling, collision detection, and score system with custom scripts. Integrated UI menus, restart/game over logic, and dynamic difficulty scaling.

PRIVATE DENTAL CLINIC WEBSITE

Website Designer

Houston, TX

August 2025

- Designed and launched a professional site in collaboration with clinic owner to improve patient accessibility and branding.

ACTIVITIES & VOLUNTEERING

COUGARCS

Member

Houston, TX

Spring 2023 – Present

- Participated in workshops and career fairs with CougarCS, UH’s largest student-run CS organization.

CODE COOGS

Member

Houston, TX

Fall 2023

- Participated in competitive programming workshops and activities with Code Coogs.

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON COUGAR CUPBOARD

Community Service Volunteer

Houston, TX

March 2025

- Assisted in food distribution and supported students accessing resources.

DIYANET HOUSTON MOSQUE

Community Service Volunteer

Houston, TX

March 2024

- Distributed food and supported community events for local community members.

HONORS/CERTIFICATES

Certificate of Completion C++ Data Structures & Algorithms + LEETCODE Exercises, Udemy, 2025**Certificate of Completion** Java Programming, Udemy, 2021**Certificate of Outstanding Achievement**, National, 2020,2021**Certificate of Merit**, National, 2018-2022**ADDITIONAL**

Languages: Turkish (native language), English (full professional proficiency), Romanian (limited working proficiency)