

# Rushiraj Herma

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## OBJECTIVE

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Software engineer passionate about building a safer and more resilient digital world. With a strong foundation in software development and hands-on experience in complex systems, I aim to leverage my technical skills, collaboration, and problem-solving abilities to drive impactful projects in the technology field.

## EXPERIENCE

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### Volunteer Web Developer

September 2024 – present

*Decibel*, New York, NY

- Redesigned and maintained the organization's website using a modern tech stack, including JS and PHP, resulting in a 12% increase in user engagement and improved site performance
- Implement SEO strategies and integrate Google Analytics to increase organic traffic and gather valuable insights for data-driven decision-making
- Collaborate with team members to develop new features that support concert promotion and fundraising campaigns, aiming to boost online ticket sales and donations

### Graduate Assistant

March 2023 – May 2024

*Stevens Institute of Technology*, Hoboken, NJ

- Resolved over 300 student and faculty inquiries per semester, achieving a 95% satisfaction rate, by implementing a streamlined communication process
- Improved data accuracy by 20% through meticulous maintenance of academic records for over 2,500 students

## PROJECTS

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### ResourceReserve

- Developed a sleek reservation system utilizing Node.js and Next.js for the backend, alongside Tailwind CSS for enhanced booking interactions, ensuring a seamless user experience
- Orchestrated seamless user authentication with Google provider through Firebase, bolstering security and ease of access for users
- Engineered the reservation logic enabling users to effortlessly reserve and cancel resources based on predefined conditions, enhancing the core functionality of the platform
- Leveraged AWS S3 for robust media storage, facilitating efficient management of images and videos within the application

### TradeBridge

- Constructed TradeBridge development harnessing Node.js, Express, and MongoDB for a decentralized platform linking customers with service providers across trades, elevating user experience
- Integrated middleware for user authentication and profile management, ensuring secure access and tailored experiences for providers and seekers
- Added features like direct messaging and advanced filtering, optimizing communication and trade matching efficiency
- Ensured platform security and compliance by employing validation processes and XSS protection for seamless production readiness
- Configured Dockerfile for local hosting solutions through Docker, enhancing project accessibility and developer workflow efficiency

### Forum Backend Server

- Implemented a backend server using Flask to manage user authentication, profile updates, and post operations for a web forum, ensuring secure data handling
- Integrated date/time range queries and full-text search functionalities, allowing users to efficiently locate posts based on specific criteria
- Architected user profile management systems, enabling seamless updates and retrieval of critical user metadata, such as email and username
- Developed and implemented functionalities for creating, reading, updating, and deleting posts, ensuring robust data management and secure operations

## EDUCATION

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### Master of Science in Computer Science

May 2024

*Stevens Institute of Technology*, Hoboken, NJ

### Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Engineering

July 2021

*Gujarat Technological University*, Ahmedabad, India

## SKILLS

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**Languages and Frameworks:** Java, Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, PHP, HTML, CSS, Tailwind, React, Next, Redux, Node, Express, Axios, jQuery, Ajax, REST API, Django, Flask

**Databases and Data Processing:** MongoDB, Firebase, MySQL, PostgreSQL, Redis, GraphQL, Hibernate, JPA

**DevOps and Cloud Services:** Docker, AWS IAM, EC2, S3, Git, GitLab CI/CD, Bash, Linux