Yousef Helal

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EDUCATION

Stanford University

M.S, Electrical Engineering

University of California, Berkeley

B.S. Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences — GPA: 4.00/4.00

Coursework Artificial Intelligence, Database Systems, Robotics, Embedded Systems, Signals and Systems, Digital Design and Integrated Circuits, Computer Security, Data Structures, Circuit Analysis, Computer Architecture, Quantum Computing, Operating Systems

Honors & Awards Outstanding GSI Award (Top 10% of GSIs), EECS outstanding TA Award (Top 7 TAs in the EECS department), HKN (EECS Honors Society), Dean's List (Top 10% GPA)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Systems Engineering Intern

AMD

- Designed and validated IP functionality for the Microblaze V, a cutting-edge RISC-V based soft processor, utilizing the Vivado and Vitis development tools.
- Spearheaded preparations for the early-access release of Microblaze V to five high-profile customers, including Amazon AWS and Bosch, by creating example designs covering a broad range of industry applications.

Software Engineering Intern

Cloudera

- Automated the installation of Istio into Cloudera's release pipeline, enabling enhanced monitoring and performance analysis of application network activity.
- Developed real-time dashboards to visualize high-volume metrics (1000s of requests per second), accelerating diagnostic and troubleshooting workflows.

Head Teaching Assistant / Teaching Assistant

University of California, Berkeley

- Instructed 150+ students each semester in EE120 (Signals and Systems), conducting discussion sections, office hours, etc. Directed a team of 5 TAs as a Head TA and handled administrative duties related to the course.
- Awarded the "Outstanding GSI" and "EECS Outstanding TA" awards for my work.
- Published and presented paper on the innovative teaching methods we employed in ISCAS 2024.

Research Assistant

UC Berkeley Skylab

- Berkeley, CA • Pioneered the development of Spatialyze, the first end-to-end geospatially optimized Video Database Management System (VDBMS), under the guidance of Prof. Alvin Cheung. Published in VLDB 2024.
- Leveraged road network data to enhance query execution speeds by up to 100%, and engineered advanced video querying methods integrated with spatial data.

Selected Projects

Five Pillars Cemetery Website

- Designed and implemented a website for Five Pillars Cemetery, the local Muslim cemetery supporting most of the Bay Area, processing data for 2950+ graves.
- Created pages including a map to find buried loved ones, cemetery visiting etiquette, etc.
- Presented website to 3 local masjid communities with 15,000+ members across all of them

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, C++/C, Java, Go, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL, Flutter/Dart, Assembly Software Tools: ROS, Kubernetes, React, Next. js, Git, NumPy, OpenCV, Firebase, Grafana/Prometheus, Istio, Linux Hardware Tools: FPGAs, Verilog, Vivado, Vitis, RISC-V, Microblaze

Stanford, CA Graduation Date: June 2026

Aug. 2021 - Dec. 2023

May. 2023 – Aug. 2023

May. 2022 – Aug. 2022

San Jose, CA

Santa Clara, CA

Berkelev, CA

Aug. 2022 – Present

Jan. 2022 – Present

Berkeley, CA