### **AUDREY LEONG**

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#### **EDUCATION**

Columbia University M.S. in Computer Science

Expected Dec 2025

ETH Zurich Post Baccalaureate Studies in Computer Science/Security

Sep 2022 - Feb 2024

Columbia University B.A. in Computer Science

Sep 2018 - May 2022

Coursework: NLP, UI/UX, Computer Vision, GenAI Design, Cloud Computing, Agentic Systems, Information Security

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

• Technical: Python, C/C++, HTML/CSS/JS, PostgreSQL, Figma, QGIS, LaTeX, UI/UX, HCI, GenAI, Ruby/Rspec

• Tools: AWS (EC2, S3), Docker, Flask, OpenAPI, Github, LLM application, Agile/Jira

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Adobe Inc.

San Jose, CA

May 2025 - Aug 2025

Software Development Intern

- Engineered Lightroom "Best Photos" by deploying a real-time ML inference system and fully redesigning backend infrastructure and production pipelines, enabling seamless integration and achieving \$800K in annual cost savings.
- Developed evaluation frameworks in Flask to benchmark ML model performance on feature-specific behaviors, integrating automated tests in Python and Ruby to validate model quality and production readiness.

**Columbia University** 

New York City, NY

Course Assistant for COMS 4170 UI Design

Jan 2022 - Jun 2022, Present

- Mentored over 40 Master's students on semester-long projects, with weekly advising on UI/UX practices, iterative design, and full-stack implementation with HTML/CSS/JavaScript in an Agile environment.
- Led office hours for a 600 student course, providing detailed feedback on research methods, design iterations, and software engineering practices to elevate project quality and problem-solving.

Deloitte

Hamburg, Germany

Cyber Risk and Strategy Intern

- May 2021 Aug 2021
- Devised and implemented third-party risk management programs in collaboration with clients, enhancing ISO 27001 compliance and reducing external cyber incidents by 40%.
- Built automated databases and PowerBI dashboards with client-focused workflows, reducing manual effort by 75% and ensuring easy handover and long-term scalability of risk assessments.

#### PROJECT EXPERIENCE

# Crackd.ai (Columbia University, under Prof. Lydia Chilton) Software Engineer

New York City, NY

Sept 2025 - present

- Designed and deployed an AI humor generation platform using LLMs to produce witty, culturally aware image captions, with a backend QA framework enabling inspection, iterative tuning, and multi-step prompt refinement.
- Engineered production-ready frontend and backend with Next.js, TypeScript, SST, Supabase, and AWS, supporting image uploads, base64 encoding, LLM-specific integration, and scalable experimentation pipelines for multiple models.

### **VIC-based Drought Prediction Model (Columbia University)**

New York City, NY

Programmer

Jan 2025 - May 2025

- Trained a TreeFFuser autoregressive model to predict monthly drought severity under multiple GHG scenarios, achieving up to 0.99 R<sup>2</sup> and generating 75-year long-term forecasts for climate planning.
- Engineered temporal and hydrometeorological features (lags, rolling means, interactions) and validated across three climate models using time-series cross-validation with 90% prediction intervals.

# **Image Quilting Optimization (ETH Advanced Systems Lab)** *Programmer*

Zurich, Switzerland

Feb 2023 - Jul 2023

- Accelerated a single-threaded image quilting algorithm in C by implementing hardware-related optimizations, achieving a 15x speedup over initial baseline.
- Built a custom code generator and performance testing infrastructure for scalar and vector operations of optimized algorithm, using Python to auto-tune all hyperparameters.

#### **SKILLS & INTERESTS**

- Fluent in English, French, German; Proficient in Cantonese; Basic Understanding of Mandarin, Korean.
- Strong collaborator and proactive problem-solver; experienced coordinating complex technical projects.