Rishi Bala

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Experienced Computer Science graduate with specialties in data processing & analysis. Worked in multiple high-level languages & front-end programming with back-end project experience. Experienced working in multiple industries & database systems, including government databases & multimedia communications. Capable of working in teams & standalone roles and using any communication technologies.

TOOLS and SKILLS

- Practical Languages (Python, Java)
- Web Development (HTML)
- Data Analytics/Processing (R)
- AI Tools – LLMs, AI engines such as ChatGPT, Claude, and Gemini
- Network Traffic & Server Analysis
- Microsoft Office Suite
- Digital Marketing – Graphic Design, User Outreach, SEO/SEM
- Retail Experience – Financial Transactions, Customer Service

EXPERIENCE

Intern with the Massachusetts District Attorney's Office **May 2025 – Sept 2025**

Fall River, MA

- Worked as a data collection and notation assistant, working both on physical files and the electronic data system
- Navigated and organized case files through the DAMION system for efficient updating, messaging, and error catching

Intern with MASSPIRG's Save the Bees Advocacy Campaign

University of Massachusetts Amherst **Sept 2024 – Sept 2025**

- Advocated for pollinator protection by supporting MASSPIRG's statewide campaign to limit the use of harmful neonicotinoid pesticides.
- Conducted on-campus outreach to educate students and faculty on the importance of bees in ecosystems and agriculture.
- Collaborated with a team of student volunteers to plan advocacy strategies and coordinate with MASSPIRG staff and environmental partners.

Intern at Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division Newport

Newport, RI **July 2022 - Aug 2022**

- Collaborated with interns to create, code, and operate a SeaPearch ROV under US Navy conditions and strict budget; wrote engineering reports and consistently kept engineering notebook entries.
- Learned through lectures from US Navy Engineering officials and improved communication skills.

EDUCATION:

University of Massachusetts, Amherst **Aug 2023 – August 2026**

Bachelor's Degree in Informatics

Python Programming | LLMs and Ethics | A Networked World | Data Science through R Analysis