

# Jannat Chehal

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## Education

- **Virginia Commonwealth University**, Richmond, Virginia  
MS in Computer Science, GPA: 3.9 Aug 2024 – Present
- **CHRIST University**, Bangalore, India  
Master of Computer Applications, GPA: 3.7 Jul 2023 – May 2024
- **University of Delhi**, New Delhi, India  
Bachelor of Science in Applied Physical Science, GPA: 3.6 Jul 2019 – May 2022

## Experience

**Natural Language Processing Lab, VCU**, Richmond, Virginia Jan 2025 – Present  
*Research Assistant*

- Preprocessed and engineered features from biomedical text (e.g., BC5CDR dataset with 1,500+ PubMed abstracts and 50,000+ annotated entities) for deep learning-based relation extraction.
- Developed a hybrid CNN + Transformer (SciBERT) model in PyTorch Lightning to identify chemical-disease interactions, improving F1-score by 7% over baseline.
- Improved model accuracy and robustness to support automated extraction of biomedical relationships, aiding research in neurogastroenterology.

**Engineering Career Services**, Virginia Commonwealth University June 2025 – July 2025  
*Graduate Student Software Engineer*

- Built a student-alumni mentoring interface using Google Sheets and Apps Script, at the request of Career Services.
- Implemented mentor profile viewing, single-session booking restriction, and automated email delivery of mentor details.
- Currently used by 100+ students, streamlining the mentorship process and enhancing student-alumni engagement.

**Virginia Commonwealth University**, Richmond, Virginia Sep 2024 – Dec 2024  
*Teaching Assistant*

- Led weekly programming labs focused on C fundamentals, algorithmic problem solving, and code debugging for 30+ undergraduate students.
- Provided individualized mentorship to 20+ students, assisting with lab submissions and clarifying core programming concepts.

**Raceme Tenders LLP**, Delhi, India Mar 2022  
*Software Engineer Intern*

- Updated the legacy code written in Php and mysql to its newest version .
- Migrated legacy website to AWS Cloud for improved scalability and uptime as part of a three-person engineering team.
- Optimized backend performance and reduced page load latency through infrastructure refactoring.

*Software Engineer Intern* Sep 2021

- Developed an automated web crawler to extract to download 500+ tender documents daily from dynamic web pages (e.g. karnataka eprocurement site), significantly reducing manual labor and improving data acquisition speed.
- Utilized web scrapping using Python and Selenium to extract structured information from unstructured sources efficiently.

## Projects

**Relation Extraction on BC5CDR Dataset** | Python, PyTorch, SciBERT, CNN, WandB Source

- Built an end-to-end pipeline to extract chemical–disease relations from BC5CDR (PubMed) 1,500+ abstracts for biomedical NLP.
- Included model training, evaluation, and experiment tracking using Weights & Biases (WandB).
- Contributed to improving entity-level relation prediction to support large-scale biomedical information retrieval, aiding research in neurogastroenterology and automated drug-disease mapping.

**Tennis Video Analysis System** | Python, YOLOv8, OpenCV, Streamlit, PyTorch Source

- Developed an interactive application to analyze tennis match videos by detecting players, ball trajectories, and court zones in real time using YOLOv8 trained on custom tennis datasets.
- Implemented real-time tracking with OpenCV and visualized performance insights using Streamlit dashboards.
- Enabled data-driven feedback for coaches and players, streamlining post-match review and performance analysis.

**RideShare – Real-Time Carpooling App** | React Native, Firebase, Node.js, OpenStreetMap API Source

- Built a fullstack carpooling app with real-time ride booking, location tracking, and Firebase-backed user management.
- Integrated OpenStreetMap API and Leaflet for accurate route mapping and optimized ride navigation.
- Encouraged sustainable transportation by facilitating shared rides and reducing solo trips on campus.

## Technical Skills

**Programming Languages:** Python, SQL, Java, JavaScript, Kotlin, C++, C, R

**Frameworks & Libraries:** PyTorch, Numpy, Pandas, Tensorflow, HuggingFace, React, Express.js, Next.js, NodeJS

**Tools & Platforms:** Git, GitHub, Weights & Biases, Firebase, Prisma, MySQL, MongoDB, AWS

**Core Competencies:** MySQL, MongoDB, Firebase, Deep Learning and Neural Network, Machine Learning, Data Statistics using R, Knowledge Discovery, Data Science, Advanced Algorithms, Advanced Databases, Statistics, Linear Algebra , Python