Colin Galbraith

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Summary

PhD student in Computer Science at the University of Utah with a B.S. in Applied Mathematics (Computing). Experienced in developing generative-AI tools, physics-based simulations, and LLM-driven applications. Research interests include deep learning, graph neural networks, and simulation methods with applications in computer graphics and scientific computing.

EDUCATION

University of UtahSalt Lake City, UTPh.D. Student, Computer ScienceAug. 2025 - PresentUniversity of California, Los AngelesLos Angeles, CAB.S. Applied Mathematics (Specialization in Computing)Sep. 2021 - Jun. 2025

EXPERIENCE

University of Utah

Research Assistant (PhD Student)

Salt Lake City, UT

Aug 2025 - Present

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- Neural Knitting Pipelines: Developing neural optimization pipelines to minimize carriage passes in industrial knitting machines, cutting cycle time and energy use.
- **Differentiable Yarn Mechanics**: Building differentiable simulators for yarn-level mechanics to enable gradient-based learning of fabric properties.

UCLA Department of Mathematics

Los Angeles, CA

 $Undergraduate\ Researcher$

Jan 2025 - Aug 2025

- AGEOABM Epidemic Simulator: Designed a configurable SEIIR agent-based model using OpenStreetMap data, osmnx, and networkx to simulate city-scale disease spread.
- Scalable Urban Networks: Implemented a highly concurrent Python architecture (Docker-based) enabling real-time simulations on metropolitan graphs.

UCLA PIC Lab

Los Angeles, CA

Lab Assistant

Sep 2024 - Jun 2025

- Student Mentorship: Guided 100 + students in Python, C++, and Java; improved assignment completion rates by 8% through targeted debugging and conceptual reinforcement.
- Curriculum Design: Co-developed programming assignments and refined ML exercises to align with departmental learning objectives.

Knight Cancer Institute & HHMI Janelia

Portland, OR / Ashburn, VA

Applied Mathematics Intern

Jun 2024 - Aug 2024

- SOFI Imaging Algorithms: Analyzed temporal blinking dye patterns to enhance SOFI super-resolution pipelines; implemented algorithms in Python/MATLAB.
- Synthetic Data Generation: Created synthetic dye datasets to benchmark imaging fidelity and informed protocol improvements for live-cell microscopy.

PROJECTS

PromptCraft Chrome Extension: LLM-powered tool that rewrites prompts with one click; modern popup UI, secure token storage, and modular style system.

GUIPySOFI: Cross-platform Qt/PySide GUI for PySOFI; configurable order, frame count, and correlation methods with real-time visualization and export.

OpenRAGSearch: Open-source Python toolkit implementing a modular Retrieval-Augmented Generation pipeline: PDF ingestion & chunking, vector embeddings (ChromaDB), LangChain graph integration, and local LLM support for interactive research-paper QA.

Programming Skills

Languages: Python, C++, Java, C#, SQL, MATLAB, JavaScript/TypeScript, HTML/CSS, LATEX Technologies: PyTorch, NumPy/Pandas, Numba, Scikit-Learn, Docker, Git/GitHub, LangChain, RAG