

# Tristan Mitsuji ODonnell    Software Engineer

Backend and full-stack software engineer experienced in building APIs, data pipelines, and production-ready web applications. Seeking SWE internship opportunities using Python, FastAPI, React, and scalable system design, with a growing focus on AI.

## INFO

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## LINKS

[Linkedin](#)

[Github](#)

[Portfolio](#)

## SKILLS

- Languages**
- Python
  - JavaScript
  - C++
  - C#

- Backend & Web**
- FastAPI
  - React
  - Pydantic
  - httpx

- Game Engines & Systems**
- Unreal 5(Blueprints + C++, Behavior Trees, GAS)
  - Unity (C#)

- Developer Tools**
- Pycharm
  - CLion
  - Webstorm
  - Render
  - Git
  - Visual Studio
  - VS Code

## EDUCATION

**Associate in Science - Data Science** 2025 - Present  
*Pasadena City College*

**Unity Developer Certification** 2024  
*University of California, Irvine*

**Bachelor of Arts - Business Administration** 2021  
*California State Polytechnic University, Pomona*

## PROJECTS

**Full-Stack / Backend Developer - Python / FastAPI / Data Engineering** 2025 - Present  
*Kalshi Market Data Pipeline*

- Building multi-layer data pipeline with snapshot ingestion, normalization, enrichment, scoring, and decision logic.
- Developing FastAPI backend exposing structured endpoints for desktop integration and automated analysis.
- Implementing caching, config-driven routing, and modular folder architecture for clean separation of pipeline stages.
- Creating research, signals, and feedback loops to support evaluative trading logic and iterative strategy testing.

**Full-Stack / Backend Developer - Python, FastAPI, React** 2025  
*Pokemon Data Explorer*

- Built FastAPI service wrapping PokéAPI with normalized models and structured endpoints.
- Developed React UI for search, detail views, and dynamic sprite loading.
- Deployed full-stack project on Render with environment variables and CORS setup.
- Added TTL caching and request optimization to reduce external API overhead.

**Lead Programmer - Unreal Engine 5** 2024 - 2025  
*Monstrum Arcana - Turn Based Battle*

- Built core Battle System, managing turns, combat logic, and game flow.
- Created Score-Based AI Decision System for move/switch selection.
- Created modular Move Calculator for damage, status, and effects during gameplay.
- Designed Modular Text Function to send customizable messages between systems and UI.
- Developed Data-Driven Tools to streamline content creation for designers.

**Lead Programmer - Unity** 2024  
*Asteroid Fight Capstone Project*

- Created player Class Select system applied on scene load.
- Built Round Manager to control enemy spawn rates and gameplay pacing.
- Created Weapon System with varied weapons, damage logic, and hitscan/projectile support.
- Built Player Inventory System supporting interaction and pickups.
- Created Shop System using Data Manager to spawn instances during gameplay.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Project Associate - Global Early Careers / Talent Brand** 2022 - 2024  
*Activision Blizzard, Irvine, USA*

- Drove 3.3M site visits and 3K+ applications through multi-unit campaigns while leading branding, merchandising, and outreach for 10+ projects and 835 schools.