

# KIERAN HO CHENG HONG

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## EDUCATION

### NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE (NUS)

Aug 2023 - Present

#### **Bachelor of Science in Business Analytics (BZA), Honors**

Current GPA: 4.48/5.00, Specialising in Financial Analytics and Machine Learning

Relevant Coursework:

- Programming Methodology (A), Object Oriented Programming (A-), Data Structures & Algorithms (A+)
- Data Management & Visualisation (MySQL & Tableau), Mining Web Data for Business Analytics (BA), Computational Methods for Business Applications, Application Systems Development for BA, Econometrics Modeling for BA

### RAFFLES JUNIOR COLLEGE / RAFFLES INSTITUTION

Jan 2014 - Dec 2020

## PROJECT EXPERIENCE

### AMAZON ELECTRONICS RECOMMENDATION MODEL

Feb 2025 - Present

#### **Analysis and Prediction of Electronic Product Reviews**

- Developing a machine learning recommendation system using Amazon Reviews 2023 Electronics dataset to analyse consumer sentiment in order to generate personalised product recommendations

### SINGLIFE FINANCIAL AGENT RECOMMENDATION MODEL

Jan 2025 - Present

#### **Predictive Model for Client-Agent Pairing**

- Developed a machine learning model optimising client-agent pairing to boost policy conversion rates for SingLife using 60,000+ data points, enhancing data-driven financial advisory services
- Built using PyTorch, NumPy, and pandas, integrating batch normalisation, custom focal loss, and Exponential LR scheduling, achieving Precision@1 = 10.34%, Precision@3 = 16.01%, outperforming naive baseline by 800×

### BEIJING INVESTMENT ANALYSIS

Aug 2024 - Nov 2024

#### **Exploratory Data Analysis for Beijing's Real Estate Market**

- Analysed historical housing transaction data in Beijing to examine price trends across districts to identify investment opportunities in Beijing's real estate market
- Identified specific housing configurations in Beijing's central districts and housing within underdeveloped suburban districts as candidates for highest investment potential due to expanding infrastructure and buyer preferences
- Conducted feature correlation analysis to identify key price determinants and utilised geospatial data in Tableau to create visualisations, revealing price patterns across both time and location

### TRAVLA

May 2024 - July 2024

#### **Mobile Travel Planning Application**

- Developed a full-stack iOS travel planning app using React Native Expo, Firebase, and Supabase, enabling seamless real-time data sync and secure authentication, enhancing user accessibility and trip planning efficiency
- Designed and implemented custom UI elements and backgrounds in Adobe Photoshop, Canva and Figma, along with implementing Google Places and Place Autocomplete APIs to improve user experience

### AUTONOMOUS ROBOT

Oct 2023 - Nov 2023

#### **Custom Maze Navigating Robot**

- Engineered autonomous robot using an mBot kit supplemented with additional sensors for coloured maze navigation to avoid collisions while performing turns dictated by detecting specific colours at maze junctions
- Applied proportional-integral-derivative controller for turning and maintaining position for efficient turning with minimal overshoot, achieving perfect score on all rubrics including speed, correction, turns and no collisions

### HANDWRITTEN DIGIT CLASSIFIER

Nov 2023

#### **K-Nearest Neighbours (KNN) Classification Model**

- Built a KNN-based handwritten digit classifier using the MNIST dataset, achieving 96.56% accuracy through automated testing scripts and streamlined compilation

WORK EXPERIENCE

- NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE

Aug 2024 - Dec 2024
- Teaching Assistant
- Enhanced students' proficiency in C programming by teaching weekly programming laboratory sessions for 10+ students; received 4.7/5.0 for student feedback, exceeding department and faculty averages
  - Provided detailed, actionable feedback on 8 coding exercises, progressively guiding students from fundamental calculations to machine learning concepts while improving code quality and logic

- AIR FORCE RECRUITMENT CENTRE (AFRC)

Aug 2021 - Oct 2021
- Administrative Assistant
- Managed administrative tasks including scheduling, query resolution, and contract processing for 50+ pilot candidates, utilising AFRC's integrated software and Microsoft Excel
  - Streamlined administrative processes by overhauling documentation and creating standardised guides, reducing intern onboarding time and workload by 60%

- COMPETITIONS
- NUS Datathon Advanced Category 2025Feb 2025
  - NUS Hack4Good 2025Jan 2025
  - NUS LifeHack 2024June 2024
  - NUS BitHacks 2024Feb 2024

- LEADERSHIP
- Kent Ridge Hall Committee ChairAug 2024 - Present
  - Organising Team - Operation EinsteinMay 2019 - Mar 2020
  - Organising Team - International Service-Learning & Leadership ElectiveMay 2019 - Dec 2019

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Programming Languages	Java, Python, R, SQL, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, C
Databases	MySQL, Supabase, Firebase
Frameworks / Libraries / Tools	PyTorch, NumPy, pandas, Next.js, Expo, Tableau, Git/GitHub
Languages	Fluent English, Chinese   Conversational Bahasa Indonesian   Basic Japanese
Interests	Blacksmithing, Travelling, Guitar, Film & Photography