Rishi C. Edupalli

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Education

University of Virginia — Charlottesville, VA
B.A. in Mathematics; B.S. in Physics; Minor in Computer Science — *Expected May 2029*

Northern Virginia Community College — Annandale, VA
A.S. in Mathematics; A.S. in Computer Science — *Jan 2025 – May 2026*

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude

Experience

Program Lead / Education Coordinator — May 2025 – Apr. 2026
C2 Education — *South Riding, VA*

- Led academic operations for 60+ students, coordinating diagnostics, scheduling, interim testing, parent conferences, and individualized academic programs.
- Coordinated team of 8 instructors by tracking student progress and improving workflows across all academic programs
- Advised students and families on academic goals, performance trends, and next steps using diagnostic results and ongoing performance

Senior Team Leader — Jan. 2023 – May 2025
Chick-fil-A — *South Riding, VA*

- Led hiring, onboarding, and staff development in coordination with the HR Director for a workforce of 110+ employees.
- Implemented a structured 30-60-90 day onboarding process, contributing to a 14% reduction in turnover and 7% increase in retention.
- Supervised teams of 20+ staff during high-volume operations, providing real-time coaching, performance feedback, and conflict resolution.
- Used data analysis to support sales forecasting, workforce planning, hiring decisions, and training priorities.

Projects

Independent Research on PILCO for Model-Based Control — Paper & Code

- Studied PILCO and neural network Gaussian processes as part of an independent research project on data-efficient model-based control which culminated in a technical research writeup.

Technical Skills

Languages: Python, C++, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Java
Libraries: NumPy, SciPy, Pandas, PyTorch, JAX
Tools: Git, LaTeX

Leadership & Service

Group Facilitator — 2025 – Present
Freedom From Smoking — *Remote*

- Facilitate structured group clinics for adults navigating nicotine dependence, supporting quit-plan development, goal setting, and referrals to appropriate resources.

Mathematics Tutor — 2025 – Present
Step Up Tutoring — *Remote*

- Provide one-on-one mathematics tutoring and mentorship to support student academic growth, confidence, and long-term learning habits.