

# Stefan Higgins

## Java Cloud DevOps Engineer

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### STRENGTHS

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- 👥 **Team Collaboration**  
Successfully managed multiple projects requiring constant interaction with team members. Fostered camaraderie to push through complex projects. Awarded peer recognition for consensus-building approaches.
- 💡 **Problem Solving**  
Demonstrated a knack for diagnosis during technical challenges. Advocated trouble-free navigations by introducing multi-layer troubleshooting techniques.
- 🔗 **Front-End Development**  
Gained valuable insights into HTML, CSS, and JavaScript stacks by actively applying them in student-led projects. This pragmatic use led to enhanced coding conventions shared among peers.
- 📄 **Documentation Skills**  
Crafted succinct process documents, which assisted team members throughout varying stages of development. Acknowledged often for the clarity brought to technical details.
- 🔄 **Adaptability**  
Exhibits fluid adaptability to changing environments. Regularly optimized personal workflows according to project specifics and feedback.

### SKILLS

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Java Spring Hibernate MySQL  
Git HTML CSS JavaScript  
AWS Problem Solving  
Team Collaboration  
Cloud Technologies  
Version Control

### SUMMARY

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Enthusiastic computer science graduate with hands-on experience in Java application development and cloud technologies. Collaborated effectively within cross-functional teams, delivering high-quality software solutions. Developed and maintained Java applications for research projects, optimizing functionality. Troubleshoot issues and documented code clearly, facilitating knowledge transfer. Continuously updated coding practices to reflect industry standards. Possesses a strong understanding of front-end technologies along with solid problem-solving capabilities. Eager to grow professionally while contributing positively to dynamic projects that have real impact.

### EDUCATION

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#### Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science

University of Maryland 🎓 GPA: 3.8 📅 2026 📍 College Park, MD

*Coursework: Software Development, Data Structures, Web Technologies, Database Management*

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

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- **Programming Languages:** Java, SQL, JavaScript
- **Frameworks:** Spring, Hibernate
- **Database Technologies:** MySQL, AWS RDS
- **Version Control Systems:** Git, GitHub
- **Cloud Platforms:** AWS, Azure
- **Web Technologies:** HTML, CSS, Bootstrap
- **Development Methodologies:** Agile, Scrum
- **Testing Tools:** JUnit, Selenium
- **Deployment Tools:** Docker, Jenkins
- **Project Management Tools:** Trello, Asana, JIRA

### EXPERIENCE

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#### Java Developer Intern

Academic Research Lab 📅 June 2025 - May 2026 📍 College Park, MD

Supported university-sponsored projects by developing Java applications, enhancing user experiences. Worked closely with diverse teams, implementing algorithms that boosted data processing efficiency. Successfully reduced application errors through active troubleshooting methods. Maintained clear documentation of processes and developed a streamlined approach for team collaboration. Employed Git for version control, ensuring integrity across project contributions. Participated in code reviews, integrating feedback for skill improvements.

- Developed Java applications for research projects, significantly boosting functionality.
- Collaborated in diverse teams, designing solutions for data processing challenges.
- Conducted troubleshooting sessions, leading to noticeable error reductions.
- Documented code practices, enhancing overall team communication.
- Utilized Git for version management, ensuring collaborative integrity.
- Contributed to regular code reviews, improving coding standards through feedback.

#### Software Engineering Intern

Student Innovation Lab 📅 September 2024 - May 2025 📍 Rockville, MD

Engaged in the development of a web-based application using Java and Spring, prominently reducing project timelines. Played an essential role in teamwork activities, ensuring focused discussions on user-centered design developments. Managed database tasks deftly through MySQL, assuring efficient storage and retrieval operations. Supported the cloud deployment

Application Development

Software Testing Debugging

## LANGUAGES

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English Native

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Spanish Intermediate

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## MY CAREER

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● Java Developer Intern at Academic Research Lab (11 Months)

● Software Engineering Intern at Student Innovation Lab (8 Months)

process via AWS, looking forward to seamless application rollouts. Contributed research knowledge, pitching refinements in project documentation standards to improve quality and compliance.

- Assisted in developing impactful web applications using Java and Spring frameworks.
- Participated in meetings to shape user-focused project designs.
- Managed aspects of database integration, improving data functionality.
- Facilitated cloud application deployments to streamline launch processes.
- Researched best practices to enhance coding and documentation efforts.
- Delivered presentations to share project outcomes, fostering team cohesion.

## LEADERSHIP & AWARDS

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- Dean's List, University of Maryland (2024, 2025)
- First Place, University Hackathon (2025)

## CERTIFICATIONS

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- AWS Certified Cloud Practitioner 📅 2026
- Java SE 11 Developer Certification 📅 2026

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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- Member, Computer Science Club (2024 – Present)
- Volunteer, Coding Bootcamp for High School Students (2025)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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**Work Status** : Authorized to work in United States. No sponsorship required.

## REFERENCES

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AVAILABLE ON REQUEST