**DIVYA GANESAN**

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**EDUCATION**

**Stanford University**  *Expected Graduation 06/2025*

* B.S. Computer Science and Political Science, 3.97 GPA
* Coursework: Intro to Cybersecurity, Programming Abstractions, Confronting Misinformation Policy (Law School), Youngest Graduate: Jeremy Howard’s Fast.ai Course Fall 2017, Inspirit AI Program Summer 2020, CS182 Technology, Ethics and Public Policy
* Organizations: Public Interest Technology Lab Frosh fellow, BASES Entrepreneurial group, Director of Speaker Events for Stanford in Government, Director of Community Engagement All Student Body Government, Competitive Bhangra (Indian dance) team

**Castilleja High School** *Graduated 06/2021*

* 4.3 GPA, All Student Body President, Co-Captain Mock Trial Team, National History Day Champion

**Academic Honors/Awards**

* Coca Cola Scholar (Top 100 out of 99,000 applicants), Coolidge Senator (Top 100 out of 3000, commended for public service), Cameron Impact Scholarship Finalist (Top 100 out of 3000, commended for policy interest and writing), Castilleja Beyond the Circle Community Engagement Award, Castilleja Women Learning Award (given to 2 students in junior class)

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Cyber Threat Alliance** *Washington D.C.*

*Intern* *June - September 2022*

* Selected and funded by Stanford Freeman Spogli’s Institute under mentorship from Professor Andrew Grotto.
* Worked with former White House Director of Cybersecurity Michael Daniel to produce Incident Response Framework.
* Drafted DEI proposal and framework for cyber industry.

**National Security Agency** *Washington D.C.*

*Woman in Cyber Fellow* *August 2022*

* Selected as 1 of 10 students to participate in General Nakasone’s inaugural program for Women in Cyber.
* Completed immersive curriculum in national security decision-making and critical network defense.
* Presented briefing on "Individual to Individual Information Sharing" in front of senior cybersecurity leaders.

**American Exchange Project** *Kilgore, Texas*

*Inaugural Fellow* *June 2021*

* Participated in inaugural student exchange program focused on encouraging cross-partisan dialogue.
* Conducted dialogue, learning and immersion in rural Texas.

**Andrew Yang Mayoral Campaign** *New York, New York*

*Intern* *June - July 2021*

* Worked on-the-ground outreach in China town to access supporters.
* Recruited Chinese translators in office to create equitable voting opportunities.

**RESEARCH**

**Stanford Social Media Lab** *Stanford University, CA*

 *Research Assistant June 2022 - Present*

* Conducting independent research study on the power of mindset-interventions to affect youth’s behavior on social media.
* Received mentorship from Professor Jeff Hancock (head of lab).

**Stanford Internet Observatory** *Stanford University, CA*

 *Research Assistant September 2022 - Present*

* Working specifically on Election Integrity Project spending 8+ hours a week ticketing and labelling misinformation.
* Developed skills in OSINT tools including Tweet Deck, Junkipedia, and Crowdtangle.

**Gordian Knot Center for Defense Innovation (Joe Felter)** *Stanford University, CA*

 *Selected Scholar December 2021 - Present*

* Youngest student to be selected for inaugural research program in defense innovation.
* Researched and developed prototypes for psychological interventions to address misinformation on social media.

**Stanford University Department of Economic Policy Research,** [**Susan Athey’s**](https://www.gsb.stanford.edu/faculty-research/faculty/susan-athey) **Lab** *Stanford University, CA*

*Research Assistant June - August 2019*

* Worked on [Experienced Segregation Project](https://www.nber.org/papers/w27572), using mobile GPS data to analyze racial interactions nationwide
* Researched the impacts of race on voter registration
* Used programming (rStudio, Python, SQL) to aggregate 6 million row data set

**PROJECTS**

**Kudos, Compliment App** *Palo Alto, California*

*Co-founder and CTO* *January - November 2020*

* Developed Compliment app for High School in an Advanced theory app development course.
* Created school specific user authentication and tested within 300 person population.
* Published to app store.

**Bippy, Robot for students with ADHD** *Cambridge, MA*

*Co-founder and COO* *July 2018 – February 2019*

* Conducted market research of over 100 interviews going through the design-thinking process to develop a small robot to help students with ADHD focus on their homework.
* Iterated over 3 prototypes and tested with four families.
* Worked with an international team of LaunchX @ MIT students, winning grant funding.

**LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

**Real Talk Civic Engagement** *Palo Alto, CA*

*Co-founder and Co-Executive Director January 2019 - Present*

* Created original civics education curriculum using debate, informed discussion and current event lessons
* Held community wide conference with 100+ registered attendees through grant from city of Palo Alto
* Hosted and Recognized by Congresswoman Anna Eshoo, D-CA 18
* 501c3 non profit, 14 chapters nationwide, 1000+ members reached now merged with BridgeUSA

**United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, Girls Learn International**  *New York, New York*

*Selected Delegate, Student Advisory Board Member Sept 2015 - Present*

* Selected Delegate at the United Nations CSW63 and Member of the Girl’s Statement Committee
* Raised scholarship funds for Roshni Academy in India for 4 girls to attend college through Girls Learn International
* Invited to speak at Annual Feminist Majority Conference 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022 in California (350 attendees)
* Presented to the Head of UN Women on strategies to empower girls in STEM

Languages: English, Spanish, Tamil (Indian language)

Skills: C++, Python, Java, Swift IOS development, policy brief writing, public speaking, graphic design

Leader | Facilitator | Speaker | Dancer | Connector

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