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Profile

Computer Science and Commerce student based in Nairobi, with hands-on experience across civic-tech, blockchain, and AI-focused hackathons and cohorts. Founder of a youth-led civic engagement organization operating across Nairobi. Comfortable working across web development, blockchain protocols, and AI agent tools, with a growing interest in applying technical skills to community-focused projects in East Africa.

Education

B.Sc. Computer Science (in progress) | University of the People (Online)

- Coursework: Introduction to Computer Science, Java Programming (OOP, GUIs, concurrency, Collections), Introductory Statistics, Economics

Bachelor of Commerce (in progress) | Multimedia University of Kenya

- Coursework: Communication Skills, Macroeconomics, Accounting II, Principles of Management, Principles of Marketing

Leadership Experience

Founder & National Director | INUKA Youth Network Kenya

- Lead a youth-led civic engagement organization operating across multiple wards in Nairobi, structured around seven departments: Communications and Tech, Gender Equality and Inclusion, Event Planning and Management, Monitoring and Evaluation, Advocacy, Mental Health, and Climate Action
- Applied for the 2026 Community Action Award from Aspire Institute and the AWIT x Zoho partnership for Zoho Wallet Credits
- Managing the organization's CBO/NGO formal registration process
- Built and maintain the organization's website and social media presence
- Led direct advocacy engagement with local government, including a meeting with the Assistant County Commissioner

Selected Projects

PataKazi — AI Career Coaching Platform | Claude Builders Club Kenya Hackathon

- Built an AI-powered career coaching platform for Kenyan youth using Claude, with a React frontend
- Further developed the concept as part of the Avalanche Africa / FOEG Labs cohort

VoteZero — Anonymous Community Polling App | MLH Midnight Hackathon 2026

- Built an anonymous community polling application on the Midnight blockchain using zero-knowledge proofs, with two teammates
- Deployed the project on GitHub Pages and submitted it to Devpost

ElimuPay — School Fees Escrow on Bitcoin Lightning | Dada Devs Labs Cohort 4

- Developed a milestone-based school fees escrow concept using Bitcoin Lightning hodl invoices
- Implemented ECDSA signature generation and verification for a Bitcoin escrow MVP

Programs & Cohorts

- Peer Lead, Dada Devs' Mastering Bitcoin Track
- Aspire Leaders Program — Alumna
- Btrust Builders — Bitcoin CLI Live Cohort (Pathway 02): completed assignments on multisigs and PSBTs
- Dada Devs Labs Cohort 4 (Bitcoin/Lightning track): completed foundational assignments on transactions, scripting, network, and blocks/Merkle trees
- Avalanche Africa / FOEG Labs Cohort: completed weekly quests on the Avalanche blockchain
- Stellar Impact Bootcamp: Rust/Soroban smart contracts
- Power Learn Project: completed
- Kaggle 5-Day AI Agents Intensive: completed

Skills

- Programming: Java, Rust (Soroban smart contracts), Bitcoin scripting
- Blockchain: Bitcoin/Lightning development, zero-knowledge proofs, Midnight, Compact language, Avalanche
- AI: AI agent development with Google ADK and Anthropic APIs
- Other: Civic engagement and nonprofit leadership, community-focused fintech for East African contexts

Community Involvement

- Volunteer, Dada Devs
- Attendee, AgentCon Nairobi (2026)
- Attendee, AWIT x Zoho "From Idea to Scale" Session 2