Le Jardin Distinguished Alumni





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After graduating from FIU, William was a Software Engineer for Lockheed Martin where he worked on a research and development team for the next generation of fighter jets. Currently, he is a Software Developer for IBM working with Artificial Intelligence on the Watson Project. He is also a part—time graduate student at the Georgia Institute of Technology where he is working on his Master of Science in Computer Science, specializing in Interactive Intelligence. In his spare time, William works on web development projects, building mobile applications for iOS and Android, and volunteers in STEM related programs.