

TANISHKA GANGADHARAN LATHA

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Incoming high school senior with hands-on experience in UX/UI design, front-end development, and leadership. Currently leading Washington's STEM-HER chapter to promote STEM education. Studying business, IT, and computer science through Running Start. Passionate about building innovative, user-centered technology through design thinking, communication, and real-world experience.

EDUCATION

Bellevue Big Picture School

Sep 2020 - Jun 2026 (expected graduation)

Attending a school with a once-a-week Thursday internship program.

- 3.9 Cumulative GPA | Advanced Math | Part-Time Running Start Student at Bellevue College
- Honors/Awards: 4x Student of the Month, Varsity Athlete in XC & Track

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Microsoft - User Experience (UX) Intern

Sep 2024 - Jun 2025

- Pitched 4+ designs to Microsoft Teams UX Designers to improve the Assignments feature, used district-wide in schools
- Redesigned the website of local nonprofit ISKCON, delivering over 6 high-fidelity mockups
- Ideated 7+ UI concepts using warm-up design prompts to explore creative interaction solutions

LePal.ai - UX Research Fellow

Aug 2024 - Sep 2024

- Led 6 user research initiatives, including interviews, surveys, and usability testing; identified top-ranked user of LePal.ai
- Developed 4 user personas and journey maps to understand user needs & behaviors
- Analyzed qualitative and quantitative data to uncover user pain points and areas for improvement

Fresh Consulting - Engineering Intern

Mar 2024 - Jun 2024

- Worked on Arduino-based mini-projects including an LED traffic light and a button-activated mini-piano
- Explored sensors and actuators (photocell, temperature/humidity, servo motors) and real-world applications like smart-garden monitoring
- Gained foundational skills in circuitry, breadboarding, and hardware programming using Arduino IDE

Fresh Consulting - Content Strategy Intern

Oct 2023 - Feb 2024

- Contributed to B2B content strategy through market research, social media campaigns, and competitor analysis
- Wrote a blog post on a new market opportunity and provided feedback on a company white paper
- Drafted an ad campaign and developed an investor pitch for a Ed-Tech product launch

Google - Website Development Intern

Oct 2022 - May 2023

- Introduced to web development with HTML, CSS, and JavaScript through guided hands-on projects
- Built websites including a fan site showcasing a show's characters and storyline, a Pomodoro timer with usage instructions, and a portfolio website highlighting resume and skills
- Created test sites to explore HTML elements like buttons, navigation bars, and responsive design
- Completed a JavaScript fundamentals course on Codecademy

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

- ASB President, National Honor Society VP, Environmental Club Treasurer, Girl Bosses Mentor
- STEM-HER Washington Chapter President: I lead an all-girls organization with 30+ members, teach workshops, and run a statewide mentorship program
- Varsity Cross Country & Track Athlete
- Lead Forward 2025 Cohort (University of Washington), Girls Who Code 2024 Self-Paced Program Alumni

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: HTML, CSS, JavaScript; Java, SQL
- Tools: Figma, FigJam, Canva, Google Workspace, Microsoft Office

SOFT SKILLS

- Strong communication
- Collaborative leadership
- Analytical problem-solving