

# STENNIS SMITH

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## Project Experience

### AI Resume Analyzer | [\(Link\)](#)

January 2026

- Built an AI-powered web application that analyzes resumes against job descriptions and returns a match score, missing skills, and actionable improvement suggestions.
- Designed a backend API using FastAPI to validate requests, orchestrate LLM inference, and enforce structured JSON responses for reliable frontend rendering.
- Implemented prompt engineering techniques to produce consistent, machine-readable AI outputs instead of free-form text.
- Deployed frontend and backend independently handling real-world constraints and environment-based configuration.

### Text-Organizer – Linux Desktop Utility Tool | [\(Link\)](#)

January 2026

- Developed a lightweight Linux desktop application for offline text transformation, supporting construct, strip, and split workflows.
- Packaged and distributed the application as an AppImage, enabling portable execution across Linux distributions without installation.
- Implemented multiple installation paths (AppImage and shell installer) and documented platform limitations related to FUSE compatibility.

### Text-to-Speech Application (AWS Polly, API Gateway, Lambda, CloudFront, S3) | [\(Link\)](#)

September 2025

- Built a serverless text-to-speech web application using AWS Polly, reducing deployment time by 95% through automated CI/CD pipelines with Terraform.
- Implemented backend logic in AWS Lambda (Python, Boto3), with IAM roles and fine-grained permissions for secure cross-service integration.
- Hosted frontend on Amazon S3 for static hosting with CloudFront for CDN, caching, global distribution, and scalability; integrated API Gateway for secure request routing.

### Full Stack Application (AWS Amplify, AppSync, Lambda, DynamoDB) | [\(Link\)](#)

August 2025

- Deployed a full-stack application via AWS Amplify, achieving an average deployment time of 70% by automating CI/CD pipelines integrated with GitHub.
- Implemented serverless authentication logic designed to scale to 10K+ users with Lambda and DynamoDB.
- Configured DynamoDB tables with on-demand capacity and partition key design to scale horizontally, supporting growth to millions of users and hundreds of GB of data.

### DevOps and Containerization Technologies

July 2025

- Engineered a Kubernetes-based deployment platform for Dockerized applications, achieving 99.95% uptime and reducing deployment rollback time from hours to minutes with automated health checks and rollbacks.
- Provisioned and managed containerized applications on AWS using Elastic Container Registry (ECR) and Elastic Container Service (ECS), integrating an Application Load Balancer (ALB) to distribute traffic.

## Experience

### Junior Software Engineer

#### OwnKey

July 2025 – December 2025

- Developed and launched key Flutter features like video shorts and interactive property listings, leading to a 25% increase in average session duration.
- Partnered with 5-6 backend, testing and operation teams in Agile sprints, contributing to code reviews and scalable feature architecture.
- Optimized REST API data flows with caching, responsive layouts, and performance fixes, improving load times and UI/UX.

### Graduate Software Engineer

#### Solar Taxi

October 2024 – February 2025

- Delivered a full-stack Charging Locator app from concept to production with a 3-person team, designing 15+ screens in Flutter.
- Designed high-fidelity, responsive prototypes in Figma for 5+ key user flows, reducing front-end development time by 23% by providing clear, actionable guidance and eliminating ambiguity.

- Developed and deployed web pages for a website redesign project, hosted on GitHub for remote access achieving a 90+ Lighthouse accessibility score and ensuring a seamless experience across all device breakpoints.

#### Asst. IT Officer

May 2024 –July 2024

#### Ministry of Environment, Science, Technology and Innovation

- Diagnosed and resolved 25+ technical support requests, improving first-contact resolution rate by 25% and contributing to a 40% reduction in average request resolution time.
- Facilitated key IT processes, cutting average system response time by 30%, and increasing user satisfaction scores by 15%.

#### IT Support (Systems Administration)

August 2023 – April 2024

#### Ghana Commodity Exchange

- Administered and optimized IT infrastructure to ensure reliable performance and cost efficiency.
- Led a Security Education and Training Awareness (SETA) program, strengthening organizational cybersecurity knowledge and preparedness.
- Automated routine administrative tasks, increasing efficiency, and reducing system downtime.

## Education

#### Master of Business Administration: Management Information Systems

February 2025

University of Ghana Business School

Accra, Ghana

#### Bachelor of Science: Information Technology

July 2021

University of Ghana

Accra, Ghana

## Certifications

- AWS Solutions Architect Certification – Associate [[Credential](#)]
- Frontend Web Development, ALX Africa [[Credential](#)]
- ALX Freelancer Academy, ALX Ventures [[Credential](#)]
- AWS Knowledge: Cloud Essentials, Amazon Web Services (AWS) [[Credential](#)]
- Backend Web Development, ALX Africa [[Credential](#)]
- ALX Ventures Gig-at-a-Startup Programme (Prototype Designer), ALX Ventures [[Credential](#)]
- Professional Development for the Digital Age, ALX Africa [[Credential](#)]
- CC (Certified in Cybersecurity) - International Information Systems Security Certification Consortium, ISC2 [[Credential](#)]
- Project Management, Cambridge Center of Excellence [[Credential](#)]

## Skills

- Cloud Platforms:** AWS (EC2, S3, Lambda, IAM, CloudFront, API Gateway)
- Infrastructure as Code and DevOps:** Terraform, AWS CLI, GitHub Actions.
- Mobile App Development, Flutter/Dart
- Version Control
- Research and Development

- Programming:** JavaScript, Flutter, Java.
- Framework:** ReactJS.
- Databases:** MySQL – relational modelling, query optimization
- Containerization technologies:** Docker, Kubernetes
- System administration:** (Linux servers)
- UI/UX Design