

# Karim Merhi

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## EXPERIENCE

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### Junior Software Engineer

Sep. 2024 — Present

*Ignite Group (Contract)*

*Dubai(On-site), UAE*

- Refactored both the frontend and backend of the MAF (Majid Al Futtaim) Energy Management App, introducing database indexing and pagination to improve system performance by 30%.
- Developed a custom NxWitness plugin to monitor security and fire alarm ELV systems, utilizing a .NET API wrapper to manage REST API calls and bypass CORS for an office in Burj Khalifa.
- Enhanced software security by designing and implementing a node-lock licensing algorithm, which is now used as a trademark feature across 10+ applications, preventing unauthorized usage and access.
- Automated and simplified utility billing operations by engineering a billing system integrated with the Honeywell BMS, enabling accurate meter-based billing for chilled water, hot water, electricity, and gas; reduced manual workload by decreasing technician visits and finance audits from monthly to quarterly.

### Backend Developer Intern

July 2024 – Sep. 2024

*Monty Mobiles*

*Beirut, LB*

- Refactored legacy Apis into modern Java Spring Boot code, applying Core Java naming conventions, and OOP best practices, and testing on test and staging servers with JUnit, reducing compile time by 5 seconds.
- Implemented two-factor authentication leveraging **Spring Security**, OTP and JWT for robust authentication and authorization, decreasing the penetration testing report findings by 15%.
- Contributed to the development of the VAS-RBT service utilizing Log4j2 for server logging to support both devops and engineering teams to maintain 98.5% uptime.

### Backend Developer Intern

May 2024 – July 2024

*Mebex Consultants*

*Beirut, LB*

- Collaborated with frontend and QA teams, to developed APIs aligned with the UI flow, providing Swagger documentation, while managing API transactions to ensure data integrity across services.
- Integrated RabbitMQ to optimize the back-end of an internal kitchen access tool, reducing server load and cutting costs by \$25 per floor.

### Teaching Assistant

Aug. 2023 – April 2024

*Rafik Hariri University*

*Meshref, LB*

- Assisted three professors with grading coursework for over 200 students, resulting in a 20% faster notification of results.
- Conducted weekly tutorial sessions for over 50 students, leading to a 15% average improvement in their scores, by introducing technologies outside the course syllabus to enhance their projects.

### Business Analyst Intern

May 2023 – July 2023

*Dubai Development Authority*

*Dubai, UAE*

- Automated cloud server migration scripts in Python, completing delivery 5 weeks ahead of schedule.
- Ensured compliance with Dubai Municipality Standards by developing a dynamic site framework leveraging Python and SQL, to maintain a 70% acceptance rate.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Languages:** Java, Python, SQL (PostgreSQL, MySQL)

**Developer Tools:** Git, Visual Studio, RabbitMQ, Swagger, Postman, PowerShell

**Frameworks:** Spring Boot

## EDUCATION

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### Rafik Hariri University

Meshref, LB

*Bachelor of Engineering in Computer and Communications Engineering*

*Aug. 2021 – May 2025*

GPA: 3.8 / 4.0 Distinction