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ALUMNA SPEAKER

Ms. Mahima Verma

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Galloway Bldg. Landes 101

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SHORT BIOGRAPHY

Mahima Verma is a Web Developer at Montana Technological University. A Computer Science graduate from Lamar University, her journey began in 2023 as a Computer Science Tutor with Dr. Jane Liu, where teaching programming courses strengthened her technical foundation. Later, her work with Dr. Cristian Bahrim in 2024 became a defining step in that journey, providing hands-on experience with Cascade CMS and university web systems that shaped her path toward web development. As a David J. Beck Fellow 2024, Mahima represented Lamar through a research opportunity at Michigan Technological University and later continued her research as a Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow (SURF) in 2025, exploring artificial intelligence and machine learning and presenting her work at conferences. Mahima was the undergraduate student representative for Lamar University at the biennial event, "Undergraduate Research Day at the Capitol," in April 2025. These experiences across teaching, research, and web development broadened her perspective in computer science and ultimately led to her current work at Montana Tech where she oversees Tech's university-wide web ecosystem.

EMBRACING OPPORTUNITIES: TURNING EVERY STEP INTO THE NEXT

A career does not always begin with a clear roadmap; sometimes it is built by recognizing opportunities that were never part of the original plan. What began for me as studying Computer Science gradually expanded through teaching, research, mentorship, conferences, and experiences beyond my university, each opening a door I had not initially considered. Learning to step into unfamiliar opportunities taught me that growth often happens outside the path we carefully plan. Looking back, some of the opportunities I simply chose to pursue became the experiences that most strongly shaped where I am today.



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