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Ryan Widgeon is pursuing a degree in Computer Science at the University of Florida in the Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering, a degree in Mathematics at the University of Florida in the College of Liberal Arts and Science, and a minor in Innovation from the Innovation Academy at the University of Florida. He is CEO of his own startup Bl!nk and has founded another startup GHSTDev.

At Bl!nk he created a device that measures the amount of energy (water and electric) that is consumed throughout your house that also allows users to control their energy by remote on and off access. At the company he also selected components and performed schematic capture, directed PCB layout and developed prototypes for evaluation.

His second startup, GHST Development Inc. which focuses on eco-friendliness and gives non-profit initiatives the ability to afford development and drove revenue up by 52% cultivating successful client relations. He has also interned at L3 Harris Technologies as a Software Engineering/Systems Intern.

Prior to that he spent a summer at Google as a Practicum intern and later as a software engineering intern where he programmed applications and tools using ReactJS , MongoDB and TypeScript with goals for code abstraction, stability and reuse and created proof-of-concept prototype applications for demonstration and evaluation purposes.

As if his extensive experience is not impressive enough, he has accumulated many awards throughout his undergraduate career including Forbes 30 under 30 scholar (1 of 1000 students world wide), the Big Idea Dreamer and Doer award, the Facebook impact award (Hackathon), the SwampHacks award for project "mem" (facial recognition), and KnightHacks award for project "Code Global" (compile code on paper). Due to his background, innate abilities, and ambition it is obvious that he is a visionary, experienced, and calculated risk taker making him an impeccable candidate for the position of CEO.