

DANIEL DORN DE CARVALHO

STUDENT FOUNDER | GLOBAL STUDENT | ASPIRING TECHNOLOGY ENTREPRENEUR

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PROFILE

Multilingual high school senior with experience across four countries and four school systems. Interested in computer engineering, computer science, and business. Builds practical projects, leads teams, and brings an international perspective shaped by life in Brazil, Germany, India, and the United States.

EDUCATION

Valley Christian High School | San Jose, CA | 2025-Present | Expected graduation: 2027

Current coursework includes Statistics Honors, Entrepreneurship Honors, Startup Incubator, Service Learning Justice, U.S. Government, Forensic Science, Graphic Design, and Screenwriting.

Demonstrated significant academic growth after adapting to a new country, curriculum, and school system.

Rotary Youth Exchange | Pune, India | Aug 2024-Jun 2025

Completed a full-year cultural exchange, living with host families and building relationships across cultures.

Traveled through India, including a train expedition toward the Himalayas and visits to local communities and smaller towns; developed independence, tolerance, and intercultural understanding.

International Education | Brazil and Germany

Studied in Brazilian and German school systems before continuing secondary education in India and the United States.

LEADERSHIP & ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Co-Founder, Buzzle | Educational technology startup | 2026-Present

Leads a four-person founding team developing a game-based classroom learning platform for teachers and students.

Guides product direction, team coordination, business decisions, pricing discussions, pilot planning, and communication with school partners.

Helped develop multiple interactive game concepts and move the product toward classroom pilots at elementary and high school levels.

Learned to lead through product setbacks, technical bugs, feedback, disagreements, and changing priorities.

Founder, Kontty | Remote | Oct 2024-Jul 2025

Built an AI platform that generated personalized content strategies for creators using engagement data.

Directed product concept, marketing, and partnerships; the platform was tested by influencers in India and also reached Brazilian content creators.

Founder, Last Minute Study | San Francisco Bay Area | Oct 2025-Present

Building an AI-powered study companion that turns notes into flashcards, summaries, and quizzes, including a focused Panic Mode for students preparing shortly before a test.

Leads product design, branding, and development toward public launch.

Founder, Hausarbeitboost | Remote, Germany | May 2023-Jun 2024

Launched an AI-assisted academic-writing platform for German university students before generative AI tools became widely used.

Led branding, user growth, and monetization testing; reached 1,000+ users and generated more than EUR 200 during an early two-month period.

Selected Participant, Y Combinator (YC) Agent Jam '25 | Y Combinator hackathon

Selected as one of the youngest participants and co-built Tuki, an autonomous AI agent for prediction markets.

Pitched directly to Y Combinator general partners and was invited by two YC-backed startups to explore joining their early teams in founding-employee roles.

PROJECTS & CREATIVE WORK

SatDeck | SAT preparation platform concept

Developed a low-cost digital SAT practice concept using question sets, mistake review, study calendars, and student rewards.

BoraFood | DECA Entrepreneurship Project

Designed a marketplace concept connecting Brazilian supermarkets and bakeries with consumers to help reduce food waste.

Content Creation | YouTube

Built a YouTube channel to approximately 400 followers, gaining experience in content creation and audience development.

NG Esports | Founder | independent project

Created and grew an online esports community in Germany to more than 3,000 members.

EXPERIENCE

Intern, NG.CASH | Brazil | Fintech

Gained experience in a fast-growing Gen Z digital-banking company serving more than 8 million users.

Video Editing Intern, Reserva Ink | Brazil

Edited digital video content using Adobe After Effects and Premiere Pro for a technology-driven apparel and print-on-demand company.

Video Editor, Neagle | Brazil | Jun-Aug 2023

Edited content with Adobe After Effects and Premiere Pro for a major YouTube channel with more than 20 million subscribers.

Dog Sitting | San Jose, CA

Takes responsibility for feeding, walking, monitoring, and caring for dogs while their owners are away.

Because student-visa rules limit regular off-campus employment, pursues responsible work where permitted and would otherwise already be seeking a part-time job.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Startup Incubator - Selected for a competitive school entrepreneurship program; develops Buzzle with product-development mentors and prepares to pitch the venture to investors and venture capitalists.

DECA - Participated in a student organization focused on business, leadership, and entrepreneurship.

Software Development Club - Explored technology and software development with other students.

International Student Association (ISA) - Member of a community connecting and supporting students from international backgrounds.

Buddy Program - Mentors a new international student from Ukraine, helping him navigate campus, meet friends, join school life, and adjust throughout his first year.

Varsity Tennis - Student-athlete at Valley Christian High School.

SERVICE & RESPONSIBILITIES

- Volunteers at smaller church and community events, helping wherever support is needed.
- Lives in the United States without parents and independently manages scheduling, schoolwork, transportation, appointments, and regular communication across time zones.
- Balances academic work with leadership responsibilities for Buzzle and coordination with its founding team.

LANGUAGES & SKILLS

Languages	Portuguese (native) German (native) English (fluent) Spanish (studied) Hindi (beginner; learning) Mandarin (beginner; learning)
Skills	Leadership Team coordination Product strategy Entrepreneurship Public speaking and pitching Adobe After Effects Adobe Premiere Pro Website and digital-product tools Cross-cultural communication