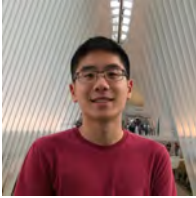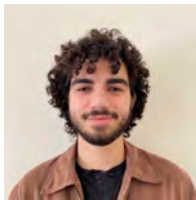# Team 3 - ConnectBU

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Client: Student Defined Project

BU students lack personalized academic/professional/extra-curricular advising resources—it's difficult to meet other students to ask for advice. Support is often decentralized and up to the student to parse from distributed resources (clubs, faculty, events, etc). Connect BU is a platform that seeks to democratize access to personalized advising by allowing students to search and connect with each other based on school/ major, clubs, classes, research, and interests. The final deliverable will be the minimum viable product (MVP) of a web app that delivers this experience by allowing students to search by these criteria, and to connect through a built-in messaging functionality, all while maintaining security and privacy of student information. This webapp is built (different) modularly by integrating a variety of cloud microservices to create a robust, responsive, resistance-free, and REACTive user experience. The main innovative feature is the search functionality, which allows for a granularity in search criteria not often found in general use platforms, the profile information fields, and overall architecture, UX, and UI.