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### **EDUCATION**

## Ontario Tech University

Oshawa, Ontario

Anticipated: May 2027

BSc(Hons) of Science in Computer Science

• Relevant Coursework: Machine Learning, Computer Vision, Web Development, Data Structures & Algorithms, Analys & Design of Algorithms, Software Design and Analysis, System Programming

#### Experience

## Full-Stack Developer

February 2025

Mindful Moments - HackHive 2025

Oshawa, Ontario

- Architected a mental wellness web app with a team of 3, integrating AI-driven emotion tracking (e.g., joy, sadness, stress) using **DistilBERT** and **Transformers** for dynamic feedback.
- Developed a secure **RESTful API** with **FastAPI**, **NextJS**, and **TypeScript**, implementing **JWT-based** authentication to support **1000+ users**, and managed **SQLite** with **SQLAlchemy** for optimal performance.
- Crafted a responsive frontend using **Tailwind CSS** and **Chart.js**, featuring an interactive mood logging interface and a dashboard with emotion trend analytics.

## PROJECTS

Traffic Sign Detection with YOLOv8n | Python, PyTorch, YOLOv8n, OpenCV, Google Colab

- Spearheaded the development and training of **YOLOv8n** models on Balanced Speed Sign (4,000 images) and a subset of LISA Traffic Sign (11,000 images) datasets, achieving an impressive **93% mAP**.
- Enhanced inference accuracy by 7% through innovative implementation of Weighted Boxes Fusion for ensemble learning.
- Overcame class imbalance in a 600-image dataset using OpenCV-based data augmentation, boosting mAP from 40% to 93%.
- Optimized model evaluation on **Google Colab T4 GPU**, achieving 30 FPS inference speed with robust mAP, precision, and recall metrics.

Music Recommendation AI | Python, PyTorch, Scikit-learn, Pandas, NumPy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Streamlit, Jupyter <u>View</u>

- Engineered an innovative music recommendation system leveraging Natural Language Processing (NLP) and sentiment analysis to deliver personalized song suggestions based on user emotions.
- Preprocessed song features using Scikit-learn's MinMaxScaler and applied KMeans clustering, visualizing
  insights with PCA for enhanced data-driven decision-making.
- Designed and built **EmotionNet**, a custom **PyTorch neural network**, from scratch, and trained it to achieve 99% accuracy in emotion prediction.
- Deployed an interactive **Streamlit** web app, enabling users to input emotions and receive tailored Spotify song recommendations, enhancing user engagement.

Steam Clone Web Application | NextJS, Firebase, Tailwind CSS, NodeJS, Figma, Git, Agile

View

- Collaborated in a 5-person **Agile** team to develop full-stack features (about, support, account pages, and user authentication) for a Steam-inspired web application, utilizing **Discord** and **GitHub** for seamless teamwork.
- Implemented secure **Firebase-based authentication** for email/password login, supporting scalable user functionality.
- Crafted a responsive, user-friendly UI with **NextJS** and **Tailwind CSS**, aligning with **Figma** prototypes to elevate user experience.
- Optimized **RESTful API** routes for efficient user data retrieval, significantly reducing page load times and improving performance.

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

 ${\bf Languages:\ Python,\ JavaScript/TypeScript,\ C++,\ HHTML5/CSS3,\ Java}$ 

AI/ML Tools: PyTorch, TensorFlow, Scikit-learn, OpenCV, NLTK

Frameworks/Libraries: Flask, NodeJS, ReactJS, Jupyter Notebook, NextJS, Streamlit, Tailwind CSS, jQuery

Databases: PostgreSQL, Firebase, SQLite

Developer Tools: Git/Gitlab, Github, Linux, VS Code, IntelliJ, pgAdmin