# GORDON KONG

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# **EDUCATION & HONORS**

Colgate University, Bachelor of Arts, Hamilton, NY

Jul 2017 - May 2021

Double Major in Computer Science & Environmental Economics [Cumulative GPA 3.38/4.0]

- Cum Laude, Honors in Computer Science [CS GPA 3.63/4.0]
- OUS Scholar (selected as 1 of 33 students in class of 2021 who demonstrated ability, ambition, creativity, intellect, and determination despite significant life challenges); Dean's Award with Distinction 2021; Dean's Award 2018 & 2019
- Senior Seminar Paper: "Inferring Electricity Demand from the Bitcoin Mining Boom: Case Study in Washington, US"
  - o Devised one of the first studies to investigate a causal relationship between Bitcoin and energy demand with econometric regression analysis using Cambridge's Bitcoin Energy Consumption Index and U.S. datasets
- Selected as participant in multiple overseas study and leadership programs, including:
  - Colgate Environmental Study Group, University of Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia
     Jul Dec 2019
  - Environmental Leadership Program, Middlebury School of the Environment, Yunnan, China
     Jun Jul 2019
  - o Colgate Extended Study, Environmental Problems and Activism in China, Yunnan | Beijing, China Jan Jun 2019

# Harvard Business School Online, CORe: Credential of Readiness, Pass

Jun 2020

• Learned financial modelling under US GAAP and IFRS standards, excel data management, and other business fundamentals through 150-hour certificate program on Financial Accounting, Business Analytics, and Economics for Managers

#### **WORK & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE**

Animoca Ventures Analyst, Animoca Brands, Hong Kong (Remote)

May - Jul 2022

- Sourced 10+ early stage (pre-seed, seed, series A) web3 investments per week from our deal flow pipeline and conducted due diligence research to streamline background information and fundamental analysis of potential opportunities for discussions
- Facilitated multi-stage process of gathering updates from 70+ portfolio companies in the Animoca Ventures Fund to discover actionable insights regarding portfolio company health, data-informed recommendations, and highlights for investors
- Established new networks and deepened existing partner relations as sole representative for Animoca Ventures in NFT NYC

### NFT Community Manager, Rooniverse (playrooniverse.com), Solana Blockchain

Oct 2021 - Apr 2022

- Led the community efforts in a leading play-and-earn NFT project on Solana in partnership with Broken Circle Studio
- Provided supporting advice to the founding team on crypto play-and-earn business strategy and in-depth market analysis from ongoing interaction with 5k+ organic members in the project's discord channel, a 500% increase since involvement

# Community Leader/Residential Advisor, Residential Life, Colgate University

Aug 2018 – May 2021

- Awarded first Senior Leadership Award for 4 years of dedicated service and commitment to Dart Colegrove Commons ideals of intellectual growth and relationship building for 200+ residents of all backgrounds
- Fostered an inclusive community by recognizing socioeconomic differences and resident needs when establishing guidelines and implementing activities such as self-care events, one-on-ones, faculty meetups, and large-scale campus-wide programs

#### Environmental Research Assistant, Dept. of Environmental Studies, Colgate University

Jun 2019 – Dec 2020

- Spearheaded statistical sampling process, google sheet database creation, and compilation of 1500+ newspaper articles to obtain reliable information for analyzing potential injustices from COVID-19 related measures in the Caribbean
- Discovered and synthesized 200+ articles and other scholarly material relating to the constituents of environmental movements and COVID-19 in the Caribbean into emerging themes, data-based trends, and annotated bibliographies

### RESEARCH & ANALYTICAL EXPERIENCE

Covid-19 Severity Model Prediction, COSC 480: Applied Machine Learning, Colgate University

Jan – May 2021

- Collaborated with team to conceptualize symptom-grouping, feature-selection, and severity-labeling of COVID-19 using machine learning models that predicted severe symptoms and non-severe symptoms at best by 29% and 99% respectively
- Pre-processed datasets containing demograpπhics, pre-existing conditions, vaccine data, and symptoms of 33,194 patients from the CDC and FDA Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System through shared patient IDs and ML techniques
- · Showcased findings through PowerPoint and Research Paper to Computer Science Department faculty and classmates

# Cloud-based Design, COSC 415: Software Engineering, Colgate University

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- Collaborated with three classmates and Computer Science professors to enhance interactive teaching functionalities on mobile and desktop cloud-based faculty-designed Rails application for future Colgate computer science courses per client requests
- Conformed to SOFA framework, behavioral driven development testing, and Agile software engineering practices to devise
  and implement additional features that allow administrators to manage and effortlessly streamline resources to users

#### **ADDITIONAL SKILLS & INTERESTS**

**Language**: Conversational Mandarin, Cantonese | **Computer**: Microsoft Excel, PowerPoint. Python, Java. Basic HTML/CSS, C, SQL **Interests**: Personal Investing – Stocks (Focus on disruptive technology sector); Crypto Enthusiast; NFTs (Art, Utility, Metaverse, P&E); Esports & Gaming (RPG, Strategy MOBA; ranked 4th place in League of Legends among all high school teams in America)