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EDUCATION

University Of Washington

(BS) Computer Science and Software Engineering (3.6/4.0)

September 2021 - June 2024

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Meta Bellevue, Washington Security Officer October 2023 - Present

- Ensured security and privacy of Meta's data and infrastructure.
- Collaborated with teams to identify and mitigate security risks, and respond to incidents in a problem-solving manner.
- Responded to incidents and critical situations in a calm, problem-solving manner.
- Conducted regular audits of security systems and protocols, ensuring compliance with Meta's strict security standards.
- Developed and implemented security training programs for new employees, raising awareness of data privacy best practices.
- Monitored security systems in real time, proactively identifying and addressing potential vulnerabilities to prevent data breaches.

University of Washington

September 2023 – December 2023

CS Teaching Assistant

- Collaborated with faculty to design and update coursework, ensuring alignment with the latest industry practices and technologies
- Graded assignments and exams for students, providing detailed feedback to enhance understanding and improve academic performance.
- Led group discussions and hands-on lab sessions, helping students grasp complex computer science concepts, such as algorithms and data structures.

Jubilee Reach Community Center

Software Development Intern

Seattle, Washington

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June 2023 - September 2023

- Collaborated with cross-functional teams to implement new features for a client-facing web application.
- Participated in daily stand-ups, contributing to agile development processes to ensure timely project delivery.
- Conducted testing and debugging, enhancing application reliability.
- Demonstrated effective communication skills within the team, contributing to a positive and collaborative work environment.

PROJECTS

Flutter BLE Application – Application WireFrame

- Developed a Flutter application with Bluetooth Low Energy (BLE) functionalities, enabling communication with peripheral devices for data transmission.
- Enhanced connection stability and optimized data transfer rates by implementing custom BLE services and characteristics.
- Integrated background BLE scanning to allow the application to detect devices even when running in the background, improving user experience.
- Implemented secure pairing protocols to ensure encrypted communication between the application and peripheral devices, enhancing data security.
- Improved the application's performance and reliability through rigorous testing and iteration, identifying and resolving bugs to optimize the overall user experience.

QuickBites UI/UX Design Application - Application WireFrame

- Created an interactive and easy-to-use design for a mobile food-ordering application using Figma, focusing on intuitive user flows and responsive design elements.
- Conducted extensive usability studies to gather user feedback, iterating on designs to enhance user experience and streamline navigation.
- Developed detailed personas based on target audience research, ensuring the design aligned with user needs and preferences.
- Crafted user flows and wireframes to guide the user journey, focusing on reducing friction in key areas such as search, order placement, and checkout.
- Collaborated with stakeholders to align design choices with business goals, leading to a visually appealing and functional prototype ready for development.

E-commerce Website Application

- Designed and developed a responsive e-commerce website featuring user registration, product search, and secure checkout functionalities, ensuring a seamless shopping experience across devices.
- Implemented a robust back-end integration with MySQL for database management, enabling efficient data handling for product listings, user accounts, and order processing.
- Developed advanced search filters and sorting options, enhancing product discoverability and improving overall user engagement.
- Integrated payment gateway solutions for secure transactions, implementing SSL encryption to protect user data and transaction details.
- Conducted thorough testing and debugging to ensure functionality across various browsers and devices, achieving optimal performance and reliability.

ACTIVITIES & LEADERSHIP

Hackathon Participant

Bothell, Washington

- Participated in a 24-hour hackathon focused on developing innovative solutions for social issues, resulting in the creation of a prototype app that connects volunteers with local community service opportunities.
- Worked collaboratively in a team to brainstorm ideas, design the application, and present the final project to a panel of judges, receiving positive feedback for creativity and impact.

Big Picture Middle School Volunteer

Bellevue, Washington

- Mentored and supported middle school students in STEM-related projects, fostering their interest in technology and encouraging critical thinking skills through hands-on activities and experiments.
- Assisted in implementing learning experiences, including coding workshops improving students' understanding of complex concepts in an interactive setting.

Skills

- Programming Languages: Java, Python, C++, JavaScript
- Data Structures & Algorithms: Proficient in implementation
- Web Developments: HTML, CSS, React
- Other Skills: Problem solving, critical thinking, collaboration