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Education

Western University Sept 2020 – Apr 2024

Bachelor of Software Engineering

London, ON

• Dean's Honour List

• Relevant Coursework: Software Engineering Design, Software Testing, Operating Systems, Artificial Intelligence, Data Structures and Algorithms, Cloud Computing, Database Management Systems

Project Experience

ML Image Translation

Sept 2023 - Apr 2024

Capstone Project

Western University

- Enhanced video streaming quality and usability, creating a **9+ frames per second increase** by seamlessly integrating Nvidia's CUDA API for accelerated processing
- Reduced image translation errors, increasing the model's accuracy by **creating balanced datasets of 700+ images** from each domain.
- Achieved translations approved by medical professionals through refined training of the ML model

Gym Management System

Sept 2022 – Dec 2022

Source Code

Western University

- Developed and deployed a full-stack web application for managing gym memberships and classes.
- Utilized MySQL for data storage, Node/Express backend, and ReactJS for the user interface
- Integrated **REST APIs** to connect the front-end and back-end, extensively tested with **Insomnia**

Music Manager

Source Code Western University

- Developed a full-stack music web application to create and listen to playlists
- Utilized React for the user interface, Node/Express for a RESTful backend, and a .csv file for metadata, deployed with **AWS**

Shopping Catalogue

Jan 2021 - Apr 2021

- Designed a fashion shopping catalogue, creating standardized design documents and UML diagrams
- Utilized **JavaFX** and **SceneBuilder** for the backend and GUI, while managing catalogue data with a **SOL** database

Extracurricular Activities

Pirate Software Game Jam 16

Jan 2025

Game Site | Source Code

Remote

- Developed a 2D action game with **Unity and C#** focusing on **event-driven design patterns** to ensure modular, maintainable, and scalable code
- Utilized the A* algorithm and implemented character states for NPC pathfinding and behaviours
- Created all assets using Aseprite and recorded all SFX
- Managed version control with **Git**

Anne of Green Gables Production

Apr 2020

- Managed and programmed lighting effects for production
- Assisted with audio management and audio cues

Technical Skills

Languages: Java, JavaScript, TypeScript, C#, SQL, Python, HTML5, CSS, C++, ARM Assembly

Developer Tools: AWS, Insomnia, Git, Jira, Unity, Figma

Libraries/Frameworks: ReactJS, TailwindCSS, ExpressJS, NodeJS, PyTorch

Other: Agile, Linux, OOP, Data Structures, Office 365 Suite