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EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Toronto, Ontario, CA

Honours Bachelor of Science, Double Major in Computer Science, Mathematics

Sep 2023 - Jun 2027

• Relevant Courses: Software Design, Systems Programming, Data Structures, Algorithms

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer

May 2025 – Present

University of Toronto, Department of Computer Science

Toronto, Ontario, CA

- Designing and maintaining core features of PythonTA, a static code analysis tool used by 35,000+ students since 2016, leveraging Python and Astroid
- Optimized performance by reducing import time by 9.98%, improving efficiency for 3900+ annual users
- Reduced undetected runtime failures by extending error-detection with a static checker for infinite loops
- Developed comprehensive unit tests using Pytest to ensure reliability and correctness for users
- Participated in weekly team sprints, presenting updates and collaborating on design and features

PROJECTS

CExpress | C, Make, Homebrew

Sep 2025

- Created CExpress, a lightweight open-source **HTTP server** / **microservice framework** for **C** that enables rapid prototyping and web API development with minimal overhead
- Implemented key features such as dynamic routing, HTTP/1.1 request handling, static file serving, and JSON API support with an optimized memory footprint
- Delivered cross-platform compatibility (Linux, macOS) and streamlined installation via a Homebrew formula
- Wrote clear, comprehensive documentation and examples to accelerate adoption and ease of use

AI Video Generator | C, Python, Deepseek API, Whisper

May 2025

- Built an AI-powered **video generator** in **C**, automating short-form video creation through script generation, text-to-speech, subtitle syncing, and video/audio merging
- Architected a modular pipeline of 5 standalone CLI programs, enabling seamless data flow via Unix pipes
- Developed a custom HTTP client to query the DeepSeek API for dynamic script generation

Recyclobot (DeltaHacks 11) | Swift, SwiftUI, Python, Firebase, GPT-4 API

Jan 2025

- Built an AI-powered waste management system for real-time waste classification, promoting recycling habits
- Delivered a fully functional prototype within 36 hours, combining hardware, AI, and software into a unified system
- Deployed an iOS application that processes waste data and delivers personalized sustainability tips to users

Talk To a Club | Java, Maven, JUnit, Firebase

Nov 2024 - Dec 2024

- Led the development of an interactive social app, simplifying club discovery and engagement for UofT students
- Implemented critical use cases and optimized back-end microservices and data pipelines, managing cloud-hosted infrastructure for reliable access to users
- Engineered and tested robust back-end logic in Java following object-oriented design (OOD) and Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) principles, ensuring maintainable, reusable code

LEADERSHIP AND INVOLVEMENT

Event Coordinator

Aug 2024 – May 2025

University of Toronto, STEP UofT Student Club

Toronto, Ontario, CA

- Led event planning during the club's founding year, organizing 5 events with 15+ attendees
- Onboarded 25+ new members, driving club growth through strategic communication and collaboration
- Secured 5 UTSL Club Award nominations in our inaugural year by improving event logistics

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, Java, C, JavaScript, Swift, HTML, CSS, SQL, Shell, MIPS Assembly, Makefile

Frameworks: Node.js, Next.js, SwiftUI, Maven Libraries: React.js, Pytest, JUnit, Astroid

Developer Tools: Git, GitHub, MySQL, Firebase, Linux, OpenAI / DeepSeek API, Whisper