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EDUCATION

University of British Columbia

B.Sc. Combined Major in Computer Science and Biology; Cumulatve GPA: 3.85/4.33

Vancouver, BC

(2019 - 2025)

EXPERIENCE

Contributor

Google Summer of Code - Blender Foundation

Remote

May 2023 - September 2023

- Worked with a mentor from the Blender organization to implement several community-sourced improvements to a large, open-source code base using C, C++ and Git.
- UV Editor Edge Slide: Enhanced UV map editing for increased efficiency by enabling dynamic sliding of UV edges toward adjacent vertices, with options for mouse-based movement tracking or precise adjustments using a slider.
- UV Editor Select Random: Enabled users to selectively choose or deselect random UV vertices, edges, or faces. Customization options include seed and ratio adjustments for flexible selection precision.
- UV Editor Merge By Distance Popup: Created a popup display making it easier for users to keep track of and understand the impact of the merging operation.

Personal Projects

- Redcommend Cmd-f 2023 Hackathon (Sponsor Prize Winner, Diversity in CS Mentorship winner)
 - o Collaborated with a team to create a Reddit thread summarization tool, leveraging the Cohere language model API and Reddit API.
 - o Developed an intuitive and visually appealing website using Flask, HTML, and CSS to provide users with an efficient solution for summarizing lengthy discussions.
- Adventure Awaits NWHacks 2023 Hackathon
 - Collaborated with a team to develop a full-stack web application enabling users to receive written directions to randomly interesting nearby locations, integrating the Google Maps API.
 - Utilized Figma, HTML, and CSS with the Bootstrap framework for the front-end development.
- Course Average Viewer
 - Created a website to visualize the average course grades at UBC over time and the ability to filter results by professor.
 - Developed the back-end using **TypeScript/JavaScript** and the front-end using **React**.
 - Gained experience with agile methodologies.
- Flashcard App
 - Independently built a program for creating and saving flashcards using Java and Swing for the UI.
 - Applied knowledge of object-oriented design and design principles acquired during the Software Construction course.

Programming Skills

- Languages: Python, C++, Java, C, Typescript, Javascript, HTML, CSS Technologies: Git, React, Flask
- Relevant courses: Introduction to Software Engineering, Intermediate Algorithm Design and Analysis, Computer Hardware and Operating Systems, Introduction to Computer Networking, Applied Machine Learning