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EDUCATION

New York University

Sept. 2023 – May 2025

M.S. in Computer Science, recipient of a prestigious, merit-based scholarship of \$6,000/year.

New York University

Sept. 2019 – May 2023

B.S. in **Data Science**, double major in **Finance**, with a minor in **Computer Science**.

GPA: 3.91/4.0 cumulative; 3.96/4.0 Data Science major

- Honors & awards: Magna cum Laude, NYU Honors Scholar
- Computer vision researcher focusing on semantic segmentation in few-shot learning scenarios

Relevant courses: Applied Internet Technologies (full-stack dev), Data Structures, Databases, Computer Architecture (concurrency), Algorithms, Software Engineering (agile dev), Intro to Java (multi-thread, Spring Boot), Machine Learning, Information Visualization

SKILLS

- Lingual: proficient in English and Chinese speaking/writing
- Computer OS: Advanced user level in Ubuntu (Linux), Windows 10/11, macOS X till latest.
- Office & G-Suite: familiar with Office suite and Google suite (e.g., Google sheets, PowerPoint, etc.)

ON-CAMPUS EXPERIENCE

Chinese Admissions Ambassador, NYU Shanghai Admissions Office

Oct. 2019 to May 2023

- Hosted or co-hosted online/in-person panels for information sharing and advertising admissions events
- Led weekly campus tours during weekends and present NYU Shanghai to potential students and their parents
- Assisted in admission process by performing data analysis on applications and provide quantitative insights
- Provided information to and resolve application issues of potential students via the admissions hotline

Resident Assistant, NYU Shanghai Office of Residential Life

Aug. 2020 to Jun. 2021

- Oversaw a residence hall with 688 residents and developed a safe and inclusive community for 49 students
- Connect and collaborate with different departments/other RAs to hold meaningful on-campus events for residents
- Shouldered responsibilities like bulletin board, resolving residence hall issues, assessing and escalating crisis

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

English Teacher, Steppingstones Shanghai

Oct 2019 to Dec 2019

• Teach English in a class of 52 elementary-level children of migrant workers to promote education equality.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Kaizntree Co., Co-founder, Full-stack Engineer

Sept. 2021 – Present

Co-founded a powerful one-stop management platform for small businesses

• Kaizntree Small Business Management Platform

- o Built a comprehensive management platform powered by VueJS, Django, and PostgreSQL for 50+ small businesses, seamlessly integrating with major sales channels like Shopify, Square, Etsy, Xerox, etc.
- o Combined Django's backend wizardry with agile development (scrum) and CI/CD, allowing Kaizntree to resolve customer feedbacks under 48 hours and build a wholesale workflow from scratch within two weeks.

• NYU Summer Launchpad

- Stood out in the 2023 NYU Summer Launchpad program and won the 2023 NYU x Yale Startup Competition, a testament to Kaizntree team's dedication and strong technical foundation
- o Secured a \$10,000 non-dilutive funding and \$15,000 in AWS credits

eBay Inc., Software Engineering Intern at Infrastructure Engineering Team Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2023 Drove innovative project initiatives, modernized UIs, automated tasks for infrastructure engineering

• Average-Time-to-Business (ATB) Dashboard

- o Conceptualized and proposed a web-based ATB dashboard for live monitoring of clusters and ongoing change requests (CRs), enabling efficient tracking of past issues and reducing issue/crisis response time on cloud servers
- o Spearheaded the development of the ATB dashboard as a Redux-powered ReactJS + Django application
- o Benefited over 100 infrastructure engineers with improved incident response time, streamlined rollout processes, and better operational efficiency

• KeyHub (Community's Email UI for Encrypted Password Exchange)

- o Led the migration of eBay's KeyHub UI from Vue to React to align with eBay's tech stack
- o Upgraded KeyHub's encryption library to conform with the latest OpenPGP standard, fortifying security for password exchange across eBay's infrastructure team