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## **EDUCATION**

**New York University** 

Sept. 2023 – May 2025

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

**New York University** 

Sept. 2019 – May 2023

B.S. in Data Science, double major in Finance, minor in Computer Science, GPA: 3.91/4.0

- 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 (React), Data Structures, Databases, Computer Architecture, Algorithms, Software Engineering (agile dev using Scrum), Intro to Java (multi-thread, Spring Boot, Maven)

## **SKILLS**

- Programming: Proficient in JavaScript, Python, Java, and SQL, familiar with Bash.
- Development: Familiar with ReactJS, NodeJS, Django, Django Rest Framework, Spring Boot, Agile (scrum), CI/CD (Travis CI + AWS), Git, VS Code, IntelliJ, knowledge on Docker and AWS.

## 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
- Combined Django Rest Framework with agile development (scrum) and CI/CD, allowing Kaizntree to resolve customer feedbacks under 48 hours and build a wholesale workflow from scratch under 7 days

## • NYU Summer Launchpad

- o Stood out in the 2023 NYU Summer Launchpad program and won the 2023 NYUxYale Startup Competition, where Kaizntree was awarded 1-on-1 mentorship from established entrepreneur coaches
- Secured a \$10,000 non-dilutive funding and \$15,000 in AWS credits, which have been used to expand Kaizntree's server capacity to provide customers a smoother experience
- o Picked by two investors and received a total of \$30,000 investment

eBay Inc., Software Engineering Intern

Sept. 2022 – Aug. 2023

Drove innovative project initiatives, modernized UIs, automated tasks for infrastructure engineering

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

- 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 + 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
- o Integrated KeyHub into eBay's cloud console UI using JS-Plugin, further enhancing user experiences

## **Expsoft Ltd.**, Software Engineering Intern

May 2021 – Sept. 2021

## • Expsoft Auditing Platform

- o Leveraged the power of Springboot and Maven to build resilient and user-friendly auditing platforms for governments and civil construction companies
- o Secured a project from Soochow government worth \$250,000 to supply customized audit platform