Shaquille Pearson

Email LinkedIn Portfolio

Summary

Recent graduate with **3 years** of experience in software engineering, specializing in scalable **data pipelines**, **reproducible CI/CD workflows**, and **API development**. Proficient in **Python and Javascript**, **FastAPI**, and **Docker**. Strong background in networking, database optimization, and performance tuning across academic and industry projects.

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, ON

Master of Mathematics in Computer Science (GPA 86.57/100.00)

Jan. 2023 - Dec. 2024

St. Georges University

St.George's, Grenada

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (GPA 3.60/4.00)

Jan. 2018 - Dec. 2021

EXPERIENCE

The Software REBELs (Ranked 9th Worldwide)

Waterloo, ON

Graduate Research Assistant

Jan 2023 - Dec 2024

- Data Pipeline: Designed and built a data filtration pipeline with Python and GitHub APIs that processed over 1.27 million open-source projects.
- Build Reproduction: Led efforts to create reproducible build environments for 982 builds in the NPM ecosystem using Docker, Python, GitHub Actions and YML files.
- **API Development**: Built a REST API using **FastAPI**, **Python**, and **Docker** to interface with the reproducible build environment, Automating dependency resolution and build validation for NPM projects.

University of Waterloo

Waterloo, ON

Instructional Apprentice / Teaching Assistant

Jan. 2023 - Dec. 2024

- CS 116 (Introduction to Python Programming) & CS 135 (Functional Programming with Racket): Taught core programming concepts, recursion, and algorithmic analysis through tutorials and student support.
- SE 212 (Logic and Computation) & CS 251 (Computer Organization and Design): Provided guidance on formal logic, proof systems, digital circuits, and processor design through labs and office hours.
- CS 246 (Object-Oriented Programming in C++): Reinforced object-oriented programming, memory management, and debugging practices via tutorials and code reviews.

Department of Public Information

Georgetown, Guyana

Junior Software Developer

January 2022 - December 2023

- Content Automation: Developed an automation system using Node.js and the Axios library to interact with the DPI website's REST CMS API, enabling automatic updates for news articles and press releases etc.
- Frontend Enhancements & UI Optimization: Improved website performance and responsiveness by refactoring React.js components and optimizing CSS animations, enhancing page load speed and accessibility.
- Backend Performance Optimization: Refactored MySQL database schemas to reduce redundancy and improve query efficiency, implementing B-Tree indexing on high-traffic tables, which optimized backend performance and reduced query response times by 13%.

Programming Skills

- Languages & Tools: Python, JavaScript, TypeScript, C++, SQL, Cypher, Git, Docker, GitHub (REST, GraphQL, Actions)
- Frameworks & Libraries: React, React Native, Express.js, PyTorch, Django, Hugging Face
- Databases: MySQL, KuzuDB, Firebase, Neo4j, MongoDB