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TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C/C++, SOL, JavaScript, Typescript, HTML/CSS

Technologies: Bootstrap, React, React Native, Next.js, MongoDB, Flask, PyTorch, OpenAI API, Selenium, BeautifulSoup,

Cloudinary, VSCode, Figma, Git, Github, Expo

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures and Programming, Intro to Software Engineering, Introduction to AI

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer

Nov. 2024 – Present

PreMedTalk

Remote

- Architected and launched a full-stack **Next.js** blogging platform with rich-text editing and dynamic HTML content storage in **MongoDB**, streamlining content management for pre-medical students
- Revitalized the user interface and built an intuitive admin dashboard, with easy content upload with **Cloudinary**, boosting usability and driving higher engagement
- Partnered with club leaders to align platform features with organizational objectives, resulting in increased user satisfaction and platform adoption

Design Executive Feb. 2025 – Present

SFU Cybersecurity

Burnaby, BC

- Collaborated within a multidisciplinary team of 10+ members to design and develop high-impact graphics and promotional materials for CTF events, leveraging industry-standard design and photo-editing tools, such as **Figma** and **Photoshop**, to create visually compelling content
- Coordinated and managed cross-functional projects, like designing the club website, through the use of collaboration platforms like Discord and Zoom, ensuring effective communication and seamless integration between in-person and remote teams

PROJECTS

Amazon Review Analyzer | Python, Flask, PyTorch, Selenium, BeautifulSoup, HTML5, CSS3

Github

- Developed Amazon Review Analyzer, an end-to-end sentiment analysis system built with **PyTorch** and **Flask**, achieving **92.4**% validation accuracy
- Fine-tuned a **BERT** model on Amazon reviews dataset, implementing custom preprocessing and achieving **0.939** F1 macro score on a 5-class sentiment classification task, demonstrating high model reliability and performance
- Built a resilient web-scraping framework with **Selenium** and **BeautifulSoup**, successfully navigating Amazon's anti-bot defenses to harvest product data
- Built a user-friendly, responsive web interface using modern **JavaScript**, **HTML5**, **and CSS3**, facilitating seamless interaction with the sentiment analysis backend

ExamQBot | Python, Flask, OpenAI API, HTML5, CSS3, Bootstrap CSS, JavaScript

Github

- Developed ExamQBot, a **Flask-based** web application leveraging user-inputted class notes to automatically generate diverse educational content and interactive flashcards
- Engineered a responsive frontend interface using HTML5, CSS3, Bootstrap 5, and JavaScript, enabling users to seamlessly interact with generated content through clean layouts and flip-enabled term-definition flashcards, ensuring an intuitive and engaging user experience across devices
- Successfully integrated **OpenAI's GPT-3.5/4** APIs to facilitate advanced natural language generation for educational content, enhancing the versatility and accuracy of generated materials

Soundscape Mixer | React Native, Expo CLI, TypeScript, JavaScript, Expo Go

Github

- Developed Soundscape Mixer, a **React Native and Expo**-based mobile application that empowers users to mix ambient sounds to craft personalized soundscapes for relaxation, meditation, or focus, addressing personal sleep challenges
- Designed an intuitive, nature-inspired interface featuring individual volume sliders, a visual countdown timer with a gentle alarm chime, audio playback with **expo-av**, and can easily add custom sounds for a tailored experience

EDUCATION