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Education

Bachelor of Computer Science, University of Waterloo September 2022 - Present

- **Coursework:** Designing Functional Programs. Calculus 1 and Algebra for Honours Mathematics, Public Speaking
- **Involvements:** Tech+ Mentee, Joseph H. Lang Scholar, President's Scholar of Distinction
- **Skills:** Python (FastAPI), Java, HTML/CSS, React, SQL

Experience

Innovation Developer - Summer Tech Labs, Royal Bank of Canada July 2022 - August 2022

- Worked on Lightning Links, an internal secure **URL shortener** with seven other students in Technology & Operations using **React, FastAPI, and MariaDB**, projected to improve the experience for **85,000+ RBC employees**.
- Designed and improved the user interface as well as developed backend features with feedback from conducting **seven user interviews** with RBC employees under Technology & Operations.
- Successfully presented tasks accomplished and learnings from each week with three other students during weekly demonstration days, as well as a final project pitch in front of **six accomplished RBC executives**.
- Earned the **REDD award** during week four of the program and the **Best Creative Solutions award** at the end of the program.

Co-Founder and Website Developer, Waviolet July 2020 - August 2020

- Led five members in creating and maintaining the startup whose mission is to provide UV-C light products for safe sanitation during the back-to-school season of the COVID-19 pandemic during BETA Camp, a 6-week-long entrepreneurship program.
- Created a company website using **HTML/CSS** and interviewed potential customers, resulting in **11** interested customers on the waiting list valued at **\$7000**.
- Successfully executed a final pitch in front of two successful startup founders featured on Forbes and achieved the **Biggest Dreamers Award** during demonstration day.

Projects

Animal Genie (Java) September 2021 - January 2022

- Developed the frontend and backend for an AI strategy-based animal-guessing game using **Java** with two other students as part of the final Grade 12 Computer Science class project, inspired by the popular game Akinator.

Leadership

Founder and President, United Under Arts Waterloo April 2020 - Present

- Planned and organized three artistic events for the community, including donating **50+** senior wellness cards and featuring **10+** artists and organizations on social media.
- Designed creative Instagram posts on the organization and its events, resulting in a peak of **1000+** followers.
- Managed a group of **five** innovative and like-minded individuals in running the chapter as well as **80+** volunteers that assist with various events.

Opportunities and Content Executive, SVP Teens Waterloo September 2020 - June 2022

- Obtained **two** gift and **100** bottle donations from cold outreaches and volunteered for Perfect Pitch, where local charities pitched for a donation.
- Helped market, evaluate and raise **over \$10,000** over two years for various organizations with eight like-minded youth leaders.
- Edited a recruitment video resulting in **200** views and helped recruit a guest speaker from the House of Friendship to speak at the monthly meetings, resulting in **10** new members.