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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science, Computer Science | Dean's List | Co-op Program

Sep. 2022 – (expected) Apr. 2027

University of Calgary, Alberta

- Relevant Courses in Progress: Computer Networks, Database Management Systems, Scalable Data Analytics (Apache Spark)
- Award: 2nd place out of 43 Teams | Div. 2 | Alberta Collegiate Programming Competition 2024

PROJECTS

Hack the North 2025 (Waterloo) - 1st Place for Best Use of Databricks | Python, Databricks

Sep. 2025

- In 32 hours, built a Reddit scraping pipeline to collect ~250k words of university course discussions, aggregated posts into bronze/silver/gold datasets using Databricks Al/Bl Dashboards and optimized an LLM by querying on curated gold-tier data.
- Links: GitHub | Devpost | Canada's biggest hackathon

Leetcode challenge Discord Bot + Chrome extension | Go, MySQL, GKE, Terraform, JavaScript

Jul. 2025 - Present

- With +15 active users, built a Chrome extension and backend server that upon a successful LeetCode submissions, prompts
 users for notes and confidence scores, then logs data to a shared Google Sheet and MySQL database on Cloud SQL: enabling a
 discord bot to post daily tracking and leaderboards.
- Deployed on GKE using Terraform with YAML-defined test and prod environments, static **NGINX Ingress** IP address and self-healing pods. Performed **in production blue-green and rolling deployments**, ensuring near **24/7 uptime for real users**.
- Implemented cybersecurity protocols using **Terraform-defined private subnets**, strict origin validation and eliminating spoofed curl submissions by performing real-time **GraphQL lookups to LeetCode.com for verification.**
- Links: Chrome extension | GitHub | FigJam DB schemas & system design | Portfolio site

Distributed Slack Survey Platform | Spring Boot, AWS EKS, gRPC, PostgreSQL, Redis, C++, Terraform

May. 2025 – Jun. 2025

- Architected and deployed a Slack-integrated health check bot for monitoring team morale across teams and organizations.
- Simulated Slack POST requests in a high-load test, averaging **2,430 RPS** across **109,480** requests in 45s, with **95th percentile** latency of **417ms** and **1.31% error rate**. Traffic was distributed across 30+ pods and, auto-scaled via HPA.
- Developed a 5-schema PostgreSQL database with Redis caching, reducing query latency from ~25 ms to ~2 ms (~92% faster).
- Cached Team scores are sent via gRPC to a C++ microservice with ~0.098ms avg (*localhost, 100k request warmup)
- Links: Draft system design FigJam | GitHub | C++ microservice GitHub | Portfolio Site

Horizontally Scaling Matchmaking Distributed System | Vanilla Java, Docker, AWS ECS Fargate

Feb. 2025 - Mar. 2025

- Deployed a matchmaking Server that creates and pairs players to a dedicated Docker GameServer container on AWS ECS, resulting in 0 coupling between matchmaking and each gameplay session.
- Implemented dynamic warm pooling using a Queue<IpAddress> per game mode, reducing GameServer pairing time by 99.1% (~46s →0.4s). The system automatically scales up or down pool size based on the server load.
- Enabled concurrent matchmaking via **event-driven threads**, achieving **sub-950ms latency** under load.
- In GameServer and Player instances, added **WebSocket-based multi-threaded** chat feature on a separate port with real-time chat running in parallel with turn-based sequencing, while maintaining latency below **280ms**.
- Links: 2min demo video | GitHub | Portfolio site

CLUB EXPERIENCE

Full-Stack Software Developer

Jan. 2025 – Apr. 2025

TechStart UCalgary (Club), Alberta | Website | GitHub

- Migrated from React with CSS to Next.js with Tailwind, leveraging SSR to boost SEO (~25%) and reducing load times (~30%).
- Built a **Stripe API** integration using **GET/POST RESTful API endpoints**, reducing average transaction time by **2 minutes** compared to Google Forms and enabling new item additions with **0 coding** via Stripe's dashboard.
- Collaborated in an Agile team of 5, applying Git best practices and performing code reviews to ensure 0 bugs were pushed to main, maintaining stable releases.
- Also served for 8 months as VP UX/UI Design at TechStart; after being mentored by a UX/UI graduate, took initiative to create and lead workshops on user research, UI heuristics, and Agile UX/UI practices, receiving 83% positive feedback.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: Java, Go, JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, SQL, HTML/CSS, YAML, XML, C
- Frameworks: Spring Boot, React, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, JUnit, Node.js
- APIs & Integrations: RESTful APIs, gRPC, Web Sockets, GraphQL, Protocol Buffers
- Cloud & Deployment: Git, Terraform, GCP, GKE, Cloud SQL, AWS (ECS Fargate, EKS, EC2, RDS, CloudWatch), Elasticsearch
- Infra & DevOps: Docker, Kubernetes, PostgreSQL, MySQL, Redis, Linux, TCP/IP, NGINX, Bash, ngrok