# ZACHARY A. PATAKY

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## **EDUCATION**

Canisius College

Buffalo, NY

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

May 2022

- Minor: Leadership
- Cumulative GPA: 3.98/4.00
- Activities: FUSION Gaming Society, Canisius College Anime Club, & Computer Science Society
- Honors & Awards:
  - o Dean's List: Fall 2018
  - o Dean's List with Distinction: Spring 2019 Spring 2022
  - o Computer Science Excellence in Academics Award: May 2022
- Course Highlights:
  - Software Engineering, Operating System Design and Distributed Computing, Information Organization and Processing, Web Development, Cybersecurity Principles
- Major Projects:
  - Created a distributed information processing and querying system capable of handling large quantities of data by leveraging the MPI library; developed in C++
  - Operated as Project Manager and programmer for a semester-long project creating a video game; developed in Java using the LibGDX library
  - o Produced a personal resume website; developed in HTML, CSS, Javascript, and PHP

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### **Merchants Insurance Group**

Buffalo, NY

Full-Stack Developer

May 2023 - Present

- Automated a form migration process (DOT → PDF) using .NET Core, Python, and Foxit PDF SDK for Windows to obtain state compliance, sparing the company from legal fines and months of labor
- Created an application that automates the submission of legal matter data to the Legal-X platform via SOAP APIs, saving the company costs in manual submission and technology subscription fees
- Engineered an application using .NET Framework/Core Web APIs, Ocelot API Gateway, and RabbitMQ to automate insurance policy data submissions, using a SAGA Orchestration microservice architecture
- Designed an internal portal for developers to view API health check statuses and application logs
- Developed and maintained several other company-wide portals using .NET Web APIs, Angular UIs, Microsoft SQL Server, and other (when necessary) tools
- Authored comprehensive documentation (architectural diagrams, sequence diagrams, API manuals, user manuals, etc.) and testing protocols across applications
- Collaborated closely in a team environment, conducting code reviews, engaging in peer development, and even mentoring two interns during the summer of 2024
- Volunteered on behalf of my company to participate in the 2024 Tech Buffalo Community Tech Design Challenge

#### **CYBRA** Corporation

West Seneca, NY

Junior Software Engineer

July 2022 - March 2023

- Participated as an active component of an Agile development team, often collaborating with other developers
- Debugged current and legacy software, sometimes on client-specific copies of the application
- Contributed to the development of an upcoming web-based product using the Angular / Spring Boot stack
- Instrumental in designing and implementing a new UI scheme in our *MarkMagic Lite* application

#### Canisius College, Quantitative Sciences Department

Buffalo, NY

Department Tutor and Teacher's Assistant

February 2021 - May 2022

- Assisted students with understanding class materials in face-to-face and online mediums
- Managed the Computer Science department's tutoring program by creating the tutoring schedule and operating as a source of support and assistance for emerging issues
- Represented the Computer Science department as a student panelist
- Cybersecurity Principles (CYB 500) | Spring 2022
  - o Supported laboratory sessions with class-wide and one-on-one assistance

- Directed the class through laboratory assignments, including the Social Engineering Toolkit, Steganography, Password Cracking, Wireshark, and Heartbleed Attack projects
- Information Organization and Processing (CSC 310) | Spring 2022
  - o Managed a group of three students in a semester-long MySQL database project as their Project Lead
- Distributed Computing and Operating System Design (CSC 330) | Fall 2021
  - o Graded exams using a D2L rubric system, returning with feedback for improved resubmissions
- Large-Scale Programming (CSC 213) | Fall 2021
  - o Created and graded class materials, including the first exam, homework assignments, and lecture material
  - o Designed lectures and presented on Java, Object-Oriented Programming, and Data Structures
- Automata and Algorithms (CSC 281) | Spring 2021
  - Graded homework and laboratory assignments using a D2L rubric system, returning them with hints and concerns for improved resubmissions

#### **Buffalo Computer Graphics**

Blasdell, NY

Automated Testing Intern

May 2021 - August 2021, January 2022

- Created and executed automated tests for the DisasterLAN program using Robot Framework
- Modified existing documents in Microsoft Word to conform to and meet ISO requirements
- Wrote technical documentation for an in-house browser extension tool
- Developed a tool in Robot Framework to generalize our testing object library

#### **Canisius College, New Griff Orientation**

Buffalo, NY

Lead Orientation Leader

June 2020 - August 2020

- Served as a leader of academic and campus information for incoming first-year students and orientation leaders
- Conducted meetings and presentations for transfer students and Computer Science major students
- Created content weekly for the New Student Orientation Instagram account
- Composed sections for the Orientation Leader Manual, including a guide on how to operate classroom computer equipment, NSO contact sheets, and campus resources
- Directed two New Student Orientation videos, including a welcome video for the organization's Instagram page and a tutorial video for online resources
- Designed and executed a campus scavenger hunt that operated beyond expectations
- Assisted a local party event company in cleaning up the campus

## Canisius College, New Griff Orientation

**Buffalo, NY** August 2019

Orientation Leader

- Assisted New Griff Orientation in welcoming Canisius College's class of 2023
- Collaborated with a partner to direct a student group through social and learning opportunities

#### **Consumer's Beverages**

Orchard Park, NY

Store Clerk

May 2019 - July 2019

- Processed cash and credit transactions, tendering correct change to patrons
- Stocked shelves and ice bins, calculated returnable containers, and tapped kegs to the satisfaction of customers and at the standards set by Consumer's Beverages
- Resolved customer concerns positively and professionally to ensure recurring business
- Maintained a clean environment for patrons and fellow employees

### SPECIAL SKILLS / PROFICIENCIES

- Angular
- Bootstrap
- Material
- PrimeNG
- JavaScript
- TypeScript
- .NET Framework
- .NET Core

- SOAP / REST Web APIs
- Entity Framework / Core
- NHibernate
- Ocelot API Gateway
- RabbitMO
- Python
- Microsoft SQL Server
- Version Control

- Automated / Unit Testing
- Software Documentation
- Microsoft Office
- Leadership
- Teamwork
  - Mentoring
- Public Speaking