Zara Kazi

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EDUCATION

Queens University

Kingston, ON

Bachelor of Computing in Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence Specialization

Sep. 2023 - Present

EXPERIENCE

Assistant Coach

Aug 2021 – Aug 2023

Burlington Fitness & Racquet Club

Burlington, ON

- Independently oversaw and mentored groups of aspiring tennis players, primarily young athletes aged 7-10, creating an encouraging and supportive atmosphere that played a vital role in their athletic development.
- Demonstrated a deep commitment to optimizing player performance by implementing comprehensive warm-up routines, ensuring that each player was consistently prepared for competitive matches.
- Drove the advancement of a personalized training regimen through the introduction of innovative practice drills and engaging fitness exercises. These tailored drills not only sharpened the players' skills but also ignited their passion for training, resulting in more motivated and enthusiastic athletes.

Event Coordinator

PortHacks

December 2022

Mississauga, ON

- Assisted with the initiation and organization of Blyth Academy's inaugural hackathon, attracting over 100 participants from various grades. Collaborated with school administration, tech clubs, and local businesses to secure sponsorships, prizes, and resources, ensuring a successful event.
- Facilitated workshops and mentorship sessions for first-time hackers in order to empower students with the skills and knowledge to develop innovative tech solutions.
- Created a multi-faceted marketing strategy that combined the power of social media, school-wide announcements, and grassroots word-of-mouth campaigns. This comprehensive approach ensured maximum visibility and awareness for the event within the school community and beyond.

Projects

Personal Website | NextJS, Typescript, Material-UI, Vercel

zarakazi.com

- Designed and developed a personal website using **NextJS** and **Typescript**, leveraging **Material-UI** for my component library and applying custom styling over the design library.
- Used **Vercel** to host my website as it integrates natively with the front-end framework.

Scheduling App | React, NodeJs, EmailJS

https://github.com/ZaraKazi04/Scheduling-App

- Created a personal scheduling web app in **React** to help users keep organized and manage their daily schedules.
- Created a custom back-end service with **NodeJs** to store and manage user data and scheduling interaction.
- Leveraged EmailJs to send users reminders and other pertinent information regarding their accounts.

Walkify | Hack The Ridge

- Developed this application alongside a team of developers to serve the purpose of being a street-side companion for pedestrians and cyclists in the Greater Toronto Area
- Allowed users to report issues they come across while going for a walk, jog, bike, etc. They could report anything from rash driving, bad weather conditions, construction, or even suspicious activity. Once something is reported a pin is placed for the alert chosen and can be seen by all "Walkify" users on the map. By doing so, others can be alerted and potential accidents and delays can be avoided.
- Designed the full implementation of the application in **Figma** for our pitch and presentation.

SKILLS

Languages: Java, Python, SQL (Postgres), JavaScript, Typescript, HTML/CSS

Frameworks/Technologies: React, Node.js, NextJS, WordPress, Material-UI, MongoDB

Additional Skills: Attention To Detail, Interpersonal Communication, Organization, Adaptability, Time Management, Rapid Learning