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#### **EDUCATION**

# University of California, Los Angeles

Sep 2017 – June 2021

Major: Linguistics & Computer Science, GPA: 3.82

**Relevant Coursework**: ● Software Construction ● Algorithms Design ● Entrepreneurship in Computer Science ● Computer

Architecture ● Machine Learning ● Artificial Intelligence ● Computational Linguistics ● Experimental Phonetics ●

#### **SKILLS**

Software Tools – GitHub, Azure DevOps, Visual Studio, Visio, Figma, Emacs, Excel

Applications Programming – C++, C#, Java, Python; data structures, OO-design, concurrency

Web & Mobile Development – Swift, Objective-C, JavaScript, React, HTML, CSS, JSS

Skills & Multimedia – trilingual [eng, man, spa], presentational speaking, strategic planning, problem solving; Final Cut Pro, Adobe CC

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# Microsoft Corporation, Redmond, WA

Program Management Intern

May – Aug 2021

- Managed a cross-team effort to consistently identify and onboard media files across M365 that will bridge user experience gaps
- o Drove development, adoption and execution of media-likely API serving single source of truth for internal teams to consume
- Collaborated closely with engineering managers and PM leads to investigate feasibility & specifications for integration
- o Increased user experience by unifying all web-based endpoints in the file upload scenario steering customers to supported formats of Microsoft Stream, lowering unsuccessful playback session VETO rate

#### Software Engineering Intern

Jun - Sep 2020

- Designed and built a concurrent producer-consumer pipeline for managing object synchronization recovery for SharePoint Online Directory Service (SPODS)
- o Leveraged C# knowledge to write interfaces & multithreaded applications scalable for SQL-based backing store
- o Increased user batch throughput by an additional 50% measured via QoS Internal telemetry & Sandbox diagnostics, mitigating frequent pausing of the main pipeline while ensuring sync consistency

## New Technologist Product Intern

Jun - Sep 2019

- Innovation academy aimed at learning the full product development lifecycle & introduction to Swift programming
- Learned core agile frameworks, ran LEAN sprint cycles, conducted user interviews & A/B testing, designed Figma wireframes, and analyzed pain points of visual learning space
- o Created iOS app *SnapStudy* that automatically creates personalized flashcards through keyword extraction of textbook images (through OCR/NLP libraries), with capability to gamify and embed hand-drawn pictures for visual association

## GetUpside, Washington D.C.

Data Operations Intern

Jul – Sep 2018

- Conducted competitor market research for new app demo video to increase Google Play Store downloads and engagement
- Prepared area code mappings for new gas station site launches in Northeast/Midwestern/Southern DMAs

# **PROJECTS**

#### **Rodeo** (JavaScript, React, CSS)

Apr – Jun 2020

CS188: Turn Your Idea into a Company

- Won Best Idea & Pitch; presented idea, MVP & deck to panel of investors and tech founders at the end
- Conducted user surveys in curation of an online marketplace aimed at generating artificial scarcity of user designs
- Designed website in React to vote on popular designs and add to cart, and Mongo DB for user account data

#### iAwake (Python, Swift, Google Maps, Twilio API)

March 2019

LA Hacks 2019

- iOS (Swift/XCode) and Desktop (Python) applications that track eye movement and detect sleeping at wheel
- Integrated Twilio backend to ping emergency contacts, Google API to reroute drivers to nearby gas stations, and Apple ARKit for computer vision implementation of eye-lid closure and detection

## **CO-CURRICULAR**

Mentor, The Bruin Experiment, Los Angeles, CA	2019 – 2021
Social Chair, Men's Club Ultimate Frisbee, Los Angeles, CA	2019 – 2021
Backend Developer/Marketing, UCLA DevX, Los Angeles, CA	2018 – 2020
President, Solutions for the 21st Century Club, TJHSST, Alexandria, VA	2015 – 2017