Ahmed Zafar

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EDUCATION

McMaster University

Hamilton, On

Major: Software Engineering; GPA: 3.97

Projected Graduation Date: April 2027

• Relevant Courses: Health Solutions Design Projects (Intro to Programming in Python), Object Oriented Programming in Java, Data Structures & Algorithms, Large System Design and Infrastructure

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern

Hamilton, On

 $Arche\ Biotechnologies$

April 2024 - Present

- Built and improved infrastructure of a **web-app prototype** and interfaced with the hardware team's sensor components to design a medical management device.
- Replaced inefficient HTTP requests with Web-Sockets, reducing data transfer latency by 94%
- Designed NOSQL database architecture using MongoDB allowing clients store and securely retrieve thousands
 of patients information.

Teaching Assistant

Hamilton, On

McMaster University

September 2024 - Present

- Teach a section of **30**+ first-year students the engineering design process as they built multi-week projects.
- Help students with the basics of **python programming** by teaching the logic and syntax of conditional statements, loops, **file I/O**, and **OOP**.
- Encourage strong communication skills and maintain a student satisfaction rate of over 90%.

AI/ML Researcher and Fullstack Developer Intern

Hamilton, On

 $Biomedic. Ai\ Labs$

May 2024 - August 2024

- Awarded National Sciences and Engineering Research Council's Undergraduate Student Research Award to research Adaptive Cyber-Physical Systems for Human-AI partnership within a surgical setting
- Delivered several machine learning models (neural networks, random forest, SVM) from scratch with a average prediction accuracy of 92% by processing data using NumPy, Pandas, and TensorFlow
- Contributed 1500+ lines of code to the front-end and back-end of a fullstack project assessing the quality of machine learning being leveraged using the MERN stack, in 8 weeks, ensuring maintainability and scalability.
- Implemented PDF storage/viewing functionality by developing REST API endpoints, and conducting back-end analytics of user interaction covering 100% of client core functionality pre-release.
- Wrote 4 pages of documentation and justification of my technical contributions.

Projects

HackMe | Python, JavaScript, React, Paramiko, nmap, Flask, OpenAI API

- WINNER @ McMaster Engineering Competition (500+ participants), allowing us to compete in the Ontario Engineering Competition.
- Developed a **B2B** cybersecurity service to find vulnerabilities in emerging start-ups and small businesses.
- Automated cyber-attacks such as **port scanning servers**, and **brute-force SSH testing** with **100**% coverage and potential to expand to more tests like **SQL Injections**.
- Leveraged OpenAI's API and **trained a custom GPT** to generate a report with **5 expert-supported suggestions** based on the results of the tests.

Dash-Tab | JavaScript, React, CSS, Figma, Firebase, Github Actions

- Utilizes **Firebase Authentication**, and **FireStore** to create a user-friendly new-tab dashboard with focus mode, and a noteboard with **CRUD** operation functionality.
- \bullet Developed scalable architecture that handles **29 000+** reads from the database per month.
- Used Github Actions to create a **continuous integration pipeline** automate building and testing, catching **10**+ errors and improving debugging efficiency.
- Incorporated user feedback to refine 12+ features and ensure a user-centered software engineering process.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, HTML, CSS, Javascript, Java, C, C++, Verilog

Skills/Technologies: TensorFlow, Matplotlib, NumPy, Pandas, ReactJS, React Native, Linux, Git, GitHub, ExpressJS, NodeJS, MongoDB, Flask, FastAPI, Firebase, Socket-io, Figma