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EDUCATION

Queen's University

BASc in Computer Engineering Software Engineering Stream Expected Grad. May 2020

SKILLS

Programming

Experienced:
Java, MATLAB, Unix Bash
Beginner:
C, C++, Swift, ATEX

Web Technologies:

HTML5, CSS

Tools:

Cygwin, Eclipse, Xcode Adobe Lightroom, Photoshop, Premiere

HACKATHONS

QHacks 2018:

Queen's University; Trained Clarifai's vision API to recognize the ASL alphabet.

COURSEWORK

Computer Architecture
Data Structures
Digital Systems
Discrete Mathematics
Electric Circuits
Object-Oriented Programming

AWARDS

Duke of Edinburgh Silver Level Alexander Rutherford Scholarship Lang Family Scholarship Ray Kingsmith Scholarship

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PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Queen's Satellite Design Team

RF Communications Team Member

Sept 2017 – present Kingston, ON

- Assisting with the testing and implementation of the satellite's antennas comm systems.
- Developing a greater understanding of implementing comm systems on satellites for RF communications.

Autonomous Targeting Defense System

Jan 2017 – Apr 2017 Kingston, ON

Arduino Programming and Electronics

- Part of a team that designed and built a motorized mount for a semi automatic paintball gun to be mounted onto a semi-autonomous sail boat.
- Responsible for the electronics and responsible for the coding of the Arduino that controlled the mount.

Arabian Nights Musical Production

Oct 2015 – Dec 2015 Calgary, AB

Audio Engineer

- Assisted with creating sound effects to be used in the musical.
- Responsible for setting up wireless mics for the cast and ensuring proper sound levels throughout the musical.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Engineering Society - I.T.

I.T. Support Coordinator

Sept 2017 – present

Kingston, ON

- Responsible for managing the society's server infrastructure ensuring constant uptime of ≈ 34 websites.
- Developing technical skills for work with servers (Linux server permissions, load balancing & security).

Engineering Society Communications Team

Photography Manager

May 2017 – present Kingston, ON

- Delegating photography jobs to those most qualified on the team.
- Providing skill development resources to each team member.

Uhaul Moving and Storage

Jun 2017 – Aug 2017

Customer Service Representative

Calgary, ON

- Worked directly with customers to rent equipment & services that best suited their needs.
- Qualified to perform level one & two inspections on all trucks and trailers.