Kevin Vu

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Education

University of Houston, Houston, TX

Aug 2020 - May 2024

• Bachelor of Management Information Systems

Skills & Technologies

Languages: TypeScript, JavaScript, Python, C#, Java, SQL, R

Frontend Development: React, React Native, Next.js, Vite, Tanstack, Tailwind CSS Backend Development: Node.js, Express.js, Prisma, REST APIs, .NET, OAuth/JWT

Databases: PostgreSQL, MySQL, Cloud Firestore, Supabase, Planetscale

DevOps & Deployment: Docker, Kubernetes, GitHub Actions, Vercel, Google Cloud Platform

AI/ML Tools: PyTorch, Ollama, OpenAI, Google Gemini

Testing & Tools: Jest, Postman

Experience

Software Engineer, HawkHacks – Waterloo, ON

Aug 2023 - June 2024

- Developed a full-stack dashboard application with a respective landing page using **ReactJS**, **Node.js**, and **Firebase**, contributing to a 56% increase in application submissions from 2022 to 2024.
- Developed a service function using **Typescript** to efficiently query **1289 applications** into **Firestore**, significantly improving data organization and flexibility.
- Collaborated with engineering team in the development of a secure RSVP system with QR code integration and digital wallet support, leading to high attendee check-in rate with 900 unique RSVPs and 2500 scans throughout the event weekend.
- Redesigned and optimized **React TypeScript** components with **Tailwind CSS** through close collaboration with the design team via **Figma**, improving interface usability and aesthetics.

UI/UX Developer, Spiritual Care Network (University Client) – Houston, TX

Jan 2024 – May 2024

- Optimized and designed website UI/UX through landing page, information pages, and forms using **Wix CMS** to accommodate for accessibility, readability, and consistency inline with the organization's visual appeal.
- Regularly presented and directed design changes to upper management to unify the higher level strategic goals of the organization with the low level technical goals of the design team.
- Connected clients' customer information, totaling over 10,000 customers, to the Constant Contact CRM system for easy access and future reference.

Projects

Project Arcs

- Developed and deployed a Discord application leveraging **Typescript**, **Discord.js**, **Next.js**, and **Google Gemini Flash 2.0**, for API-driven automation and user data management.
- Designed and implemented a secure, scalable **PostgreSQL** database using **Supabase** with Row-Level Security (RLS), achieving a 30% reduction in server-side latency and enabling monetization through paid tiers.
- Led a team of 3 developers to design and develop frontend **React** components and backend features, utilizing **Kanban** project management fundamentals.

ShopSentry

- Developed a store stock checker and notifier for sniping in-demand retail products with Python
- Utilized BeautifulSoup and EmailMessage for real time availability checking via email

Portfolio

• Animated personal portfolio website, built with Next.js and Framer Motion