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SOFTWARE ENGINEER

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Key Skills and Technologies

Python, JavaScript, Java, Ruby on Rails, Lua, Go, C, C++, OpenGL, HTML/CSS, MySQL, GraphQL, Redis, Postgres, NoSQL, NodeJS, ExpressJS, React, React Native, NASM, AWS, Azure, GCP, Docker, Kubernetes, Git

Education

McMaster University

Hamilton ON, Canada

BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING (B.E.) IN SOFTWARE ENGINEERING CO-OP

Sep. 2019 - Present

- Software Engineering student, with a Minor in Innovation & Entrepreneurship
- Expected Graduation Date of April 2024
- Cumulative GPA of 3.87/4.0
- Dean's Honour List Recipient in all academic semesters

Work Experience

Shopify

Toronto, ON

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT INTERN

May 2023 - August 2023

- Implemented new functionality and optimizations on high-traffic Ruby on Rails Shopify Core application
- Played a key role as a developer on the Inventory team, contributing to features and code optimizations
- Removed deprecated beta flags from the backend, streamlining the platform and eliminating code smells
- Reduced complexity and potential for bugs by following stack trace and tracking Splunk logs to remove a complex legacy method
- Reworked validation in GraphQL mutations, enabling users to perform more flexible and accurate updates
- Showcased proficiency in writing unit and integration tests using Minitest to uphold high code quality
- Maintained public-facing documentation, incorporating new error codes and messages, refining mutation descriptions, and providing accurate examples
- Actively participated in sprint planning meetings and played an integral part in backend code discussions, contributing to the seamless implementation of project objectives
- Conducted code reviews in GitHub, helping foster a culture of continuous improvement within the team

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BACKEND DEVELOPER INTERN

May 2022 - August 2022

- Contributed to development of a Ruby on Rails monolithic application serving 10+ million requests per day
- Played a key role as a developer on the Inventory team, contributing to the implementation and design of an inventory oversell protection solution that utilized MySQL instead of Redis
- Developed and optimized SQL queries, mitigating deadlocks and timeouts to enhance system performance
- Utilized Lua scripting for comprehensive load testing, evaluating the performance and reliability of Rails code and SQL queries
- Enhanced usability on the internal platform by implementing streamlined workflows and productivity-focused improvements in Ruby on Rails
- Demonstrated expertise in writing unit and integration tests using Minitest to maintain code quality
- Maintained a document capturing the results of load tests, incorporating data from Datadog and Splunk, and utilized document to generate a summary outlining outcomes and recommendations for leadership
- Actively participated in architecture design meetings, contributing to the decision-making process and ensuring alignment with project goals
- Conducted code reviews, ensuring high-quality code, fostering a culture of excellence within the team

Signiant

Ottawa, ON

CO-OP SOFTWARE DEVELOPER - FULL STACK DEVELOPER

January 2021 - August 2021

- Implemented full-stack features on a cloud-native SaaS platform designed to facilitate secure file transfer
- Leveraged microservice architecture principles to develop and deploy code within a scalable AWS cloud environment incorporating S3, DynamoDB, Step, Lambda, EC2, ECS, ElasticSearch, Athena, and CloudWatch
- Deployed code to Docker containers and Kubernetes clusters to ensure efficient execution of applications
- Used React and Redux to create seamless and intuitive frontend features

- Developed robust backend features with NodeJS and ExpressJS, creating REST endpoints for retrieving data from NoSQL databases such as DynamoDB and Elasticsearch
- Ensured code quality through unit and component testing, maintaining a minimum code coverage of 98%
- Addressed technical debt, optimized project generation and eliminated warnings and errors to improve overall platform stability
- Reviewed team members code in BitBucket ensuring seamless microservice integration and code quality
- Operated within an agile framework, delivering work within two-week sprints and presenting notable accomplishments and progress during iteration demos

SalonEverywhere - a Division of Perma Brands Inc.

Toronto, ON

DEVELOPER INTERN

May 2020 - Sep. 2020

- Contributed significantly to the company's early-stage development, facilitating its successful transition from a startup to an initial launch
- Played a key role in the development of a web application, using Liquid, HTML, and CSS to design a user-friendly frontend interface, and using platformOS and GraphQL to implement a scalable backend system
- Developed a JavaScript-based chrome extension to facilitate seamless cross-platform content sharing of Instagram and Facebook posts to curated portfolios and inspiration boards
- Utilized Python web scraping techniques to construct a comprehensive database comprising 200,000 beauty salons and organizations
- Built an AI pipeline in Python, enabling categorization of Instagram images based on their beauty attributes
- Utilized REST and GraphQL API calls to establish seamless communication of the product with other platforms, including Instagram, Facebook, Pinterest, Shopify, and Thinkific

Projects

Personal Website

REACT, NODEJS, EXPRESSJS, JAVASCRIPT, CSS

- Developed a secure and responsive portfolio website, showcasing my experience, skills, and projects
- Demonstrated expertise in JWT authentication, frontend development, backend robustness and large-scale architecture design

In Season Stanley Cup Tracker

REACT, JAVASCRIPT, CSS, FIREBASE

- Developed a website with Google account authentication, enabling 100 active users to predict the In Season Stanley Cup Champion, track the current champion, and view history throughout the season
- Demonstrated expertise in responsive React-based web development, Google account authentication, and Firebase data management

3D CAD System

C++, OPENGL, GLUT, MAKEFILE

- Developed a CAD system using C++ and GLUT, enabling shape addition, movement, rotation and deletion, material selection, custom shapes, and scene saving/loading
- Implemented advanced features, including light source ray picking, GUI-based file management, and textured object rendering
- Demonstrated expertise in C++ development, OpenGL/GLUT integration, and graphics development

MyCourses

JAVA, JAVAFX

- Developed MyCourses, a Java app with a secure login system and organized display of university program courses, including pre-requisites, electives, and section details
- Facilitated ease of course research and planning for users, providing essential course information such as name, code, description, and section details with timings and professors
- Demonstrated expertise in Java development, showcasing strong skills in secure login systems, database management, and user-friendly interfaces

Toronto Maple Leafs Chrome Extension

JAVASCRIPT, HTML, CSS

- Developed a Toronto Maple Leafs Chrome Extension with 210 active users, implementing custom backgrounds, a scoreboard clock, and Google Search functionality
- Integrated real-time data for upcoming games, previous game scores, and up-to-date standings and player stats, showcasing data and API integration skills