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“For a moment, nothing happened. Then, after a second or so, nothing continued to happen.”

Education

Monash University

Victoria, Australia

BACHELOR OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

Jul. 2017 - PRESENT (Grad. Jun. 2020)

- WAM, High Distinction Average.
- Received the Information Technology International Merit Scholarship, 2017.
- Relevant subjects: FIT3077 Software Architecture and Design (92), FIT3155 Advanced Data Structures and Algorithms (94).

Temasek Polytechnic

Singapore

DIPLOMA IN FINANCIAL BUSINESS INFORMATICS

2012 - 2015

- Cumulative GPA, 3.90.
- Diploma Plus programme with 4 electives in the field of Psychology Studies.
- Awarded the Thompson Reuters Asia Course Silver Medal, 2015 for good overall academic performance.
- Temasek Polytechnic Scholarship, 2012 – 2015.
- Director's List, School of Informatics and IT, 2012 – 2014.

Skills & Technologies

Languages **Intermediate Competency**, Python, Java, Git

Basic Knowledge, JavaScript, TypeScript, SQL, Haskell, C, Linux

Experience

Alex Solutions, Intelligent Tagging Team

Victoria, Australia

STUDENT DEVELOPER

Jan. 2020 – PRESENT

- Performed software development and quality assurance roles for Alex, a metadata management system.
- My team uses machine learning to classify metadata into appropriate business concepts, subsequently used as overlay to enhance information presented to users about their data assets. Worked with Java, Python, React, Neo4j, and automated testing tools.

Monash University

Victoria, Australia

TEACHING ASSOCIATE

Jul. 2019 – Dec. 2020

- Tutor for FIT1045 Introduction to programming fundamentals in Python. The subject introduces basic algorithms, data structures, problem-solving paradigms, and algorithm analysis.

Monash University

Victoria, Australia

CHIEF INVESTIGATOR, CURIE UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOW

Aug. 2019 – PRESENT

- Conducting research exploring the viability of student-led pro bono IT services for small non-profit organisations.
- Competitively selected and awarded \$2800 by the Centre for Undergraduate Research Initiatives and Excellence (CURIE) to carry out the project.

Singapore Armed Forces

Singapore

PLATOON COMMANDER, SIGNAL OFFICER

Jul. 2016 – May. 2017

- Oversaw the day-to-day operations of a platoon in a high-readiness battalion, planning and conducting operations and training exercises. The company handled maintenance and cybersecurity for a core Army backbone network.
- Created lesson plans and materials on network fundamentals for the company induction programme. This addressed the problem of lost knowledge and expertise in a company with high turnover rate.

- Designed and developed a version control program and process in shell for source code deployment and code version integrity of clients and servers of the investment management system deployed worldwide.
- Proposed and prototyped Splunk dashboards for real-time analysis and alert notifications on server health.

Projects

Perspective

Victoria, Australia

HACKAMON 2019, SECOND PLACE WINNERS

Apr. 2019

- While it is well-known that the best way to learn is through teaching, this is a severely underutilised mode of learning. We addressed this by proposing a video learning website, made with Node.js and Vue.js, where the students are the content providers.
- Complementing traditional peer-to-peer learning methods like tutorials and forum posts, Perspective was online and encouraged teaching as another form of validating understanding of content.

Meta

Victoria, Australia

UNIHACK 2019

Mar. 2019

- To address the siloing of content by major online news curators, built a news archival website which performed NLP and analytics on user-read articles collected by a browser extension. The website was envisioned to be used as a reflective tool for users to engage with their personal reading history, outside the influence of recommendation engines.
- Built in 24hrs with a team of 5. It was my first experience leading a tech team and building a live website from scratch.
- In a crash course, learnt technologies such as MongoDB, Heroku, React, and Express.js.

Extracurricular Activity

Monash University Faculty of IT Peer Mentor Programme

Victoria, Australia

PEER MENTOR

Jun. 2018 – Jun. 2019

- Led orientation activities, helped with monthly events for first-year IT students, and provided general support for academic help and adjustment to university life.

Singapore Association of Monash

Victoria, Australia

SUB-COMMITTEE, EVENTS AND LOGISTICS

Oct. 2017 – Jun. 2019

- Initiated a mentorship programme for first-year students from Singapore to soften the transition of moving to a new environment for studies. Assisted with the running of various on-campus club events.

Temasek Polytechnic Stargazers (Astronomy Club)

Singapore

PRESIDENT

2014 – 2015

- Worked with a lecturer to propose the establishment of the club and secured \$10,000 worth of funding for the first astronomy club at Temasek Polytechnic. Formed a team to organise events and built working relationships with other astronomy clubs in Singapore.

Honours & Awards

2018	4th Place , FIT2004 Algorithms and Data Structures, Unit Level Programming Competition	Victoria, Australia
2018	Top scorer , FIT1008 Introduction to Computer Science	Victoria, Australia
2015	CCA Merit Award (Leadership) , Temasek Polytechnic Enactus	Singapore
2013 & 14	National Champions , Asia Pacific Junior Achievement Company of the Year Competition	Singapore
2013	Runner-up (4th-6th) , SMU (Singapore Management University) InnovateIT Competition	Singapore

Accreditation

2018 **Mental Health First Aider**, Mental Health First Aid Australia

Victoria, Australia

Casual Employment and Volunteering

Coding Bootcamp, Faculty of IT, Monash University

Victoria, Australia

TUTOR

Jul. 2018 & Jul. 2019

- Trained new undergraduate IT faculty students in basic programming concepts in Python.