

# Brandon Best

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## **Personal Strengths and Attributes:**

- Excels in group work environments.
- Exemplifies the entrepreneur spirit and dedication.
- Ability to learn quickly and enjoys expansion of knowledge.
- Enthusiastic about challenges and approaches them with tenacity.
- Possesses leadership qualities such as peer management and organization.
- Passionate about technology, software and bringing new products to market.
- Self-motivating and hold myself accountable before any others.

## **Areas of Experience:**

### **Strong:**

- Programming languages: Python, Java, and JavaScript.
- Android Mobile Development and OOP design patterns.
- Agile work processes, SCRUM leading and Kanban process structuring.
- Google Firebase Backend Development.

### **Intermediate:**

- Relational Databases & NoSQL databases
- Product Development & Product Management.
- React.js, Node.js
- UI/UX design using Figma.
- Bootstrap

### **Beginner or Exposure to:**

- C/C++
- Angular.
- Machine Learning/ Artificial intelligence techniques.
- Neuro-technology applications using EEG and Brain Computer Interface systems.

## **Education & Certifications:**

### **Software Product Manager Specialization, September 2019 - approx Dec. 2020:**

- Certification of agile product management practices and techniques.

### **University of Alberta, September 2013 - August 2019:**

- Bachelor of Science, Major in Computing Science and a Minor in Mathematics.

## **Related Work Experience:**

**Haemonetics Canada Ltd; Technical Systems Analyst –Edmonton, AB**  
**May 2019 – present**

- Lead developer for live analytics dashboard for plasma center clients.
- Developer for backend and frontend tasks for flagship software product that plasma donation clinics used to run their operation.

**(Acquired) Xpertz Software Corp. Founder & Director, May 2018-October 2019:**

- Skill management application aimed towards optimizing and analyzing collaboration efforts amongst peers in a company.
- Monitor collaborative efforts to provide valuable insights to companies to make data driven decisions for hiring, project teams, and performance. Company code base acquired by another party out of San Francisco.

**Royal Bank of Canada; Technical Systems Analyst – Toronto, ON**

January 2018 – April 2018

- Back-end and front-end development for web application used internally for Global Wealth Management.
- Helped build part of a central wiki for Global Wealth Management used to house information and tutorials on all the technologies used in our projects.

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

**Student Innovation Center Supervisor @ University of Alberta, October 2018:**

- Supervisor for extended hours. Helped students get interested in entrepreneurship by providing advice on balancing school and extra-curricular ambitions.

**Extra Involvements and Ventures:**

**Y-Combinator Startup School Graduate, August 2019 - Sept 2019:**

- 10 week program on building successful startups.

**Project RollCall Lead Android Developer & UI/UX Designer, March 2019 – June 2019:**

- RollCall is a fitness accountability application. I served as the lead developer for the early prototype and designed the UI/UX.

**NeurAlbertaTech VP of Technology, February 2019 – April 2019:**

- Neurotechnology club to help educate and get students involved in developing brain enabled technology in association with NeuroTechX.

**Co-Host of The Startups Podcast, January 2017 – September 2017:**

- Podcast discussing various topics related to the area of entrepreneurship, and being young entrepreneurs trying to make our mark in the world.

**Awards and Accomplishments:**

- Recipient of Jimmie Condon Athletic Scholarship (2013-2016) (UofA Football)
- Recipient of the Tkchenko Prize in Intermediate Cree for the highest academic standing in the class. (2016-2017)