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Education

The University of Iowa | Iowa City, IA

Aug 2022-May 2024

Master of Science (M.S), Electrical and Computer Engineering

The University of Iowa | Iowa City, IA

Aug 2019-May 2023

Bachelor of Science in Engineering (B.S.E), Computer Science and Engineering

Technical Experience

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Aug 2023-July 2024

Graduate Research Assistant audiogene.eng.uiowa.edu

- Led the development of the AudioGene Translational Dashboard (AGTD), integrating machine learning and visualization to enhance the prediction of hearing loss genes.
- Improved diagnostic accuracy through innovative data analysis and visualization techniques, addressing data sparsity.

AMD, Fort Collins, CO

May 2023-Aug 2023

Software Engineer Intern

- Unified three apps into one interface, boosting efficiency by 60% and effectively communicating benefits to stakeholders.
- Collaborated cross-functionally to develop debugging tools that streamlined debugging processes across all business units.

John Deere, Moline, IL

May 2022-Aug 2022

Software Engineer Intern

- Implemented robust security measures in Kubernetes, enhancing cluster security and reducing potential vulnerabilities.
- Increased security operations efficiency by 50% through the strategic development and integration of Rego code.

Collins Aerospace, Cedar Rapids, IA

May 2020-Dec 2021

Software Engineer Co-op/Intern

- Developed analytical tools that enhanced avionic program accuracy and increased error scanning efficiency by 98%.
- Led a strategic initiative to consolidate five disparate tools into a single platform, reducing work time by 92%.

Leadership & Teaching Experience

University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA

Aug 2021-May 2023

Teaching Assistant

- Educated 600+ students in C++ and Java, significantly elevating their grasp of software design.
- Achieved a 90%+ positive feedback rate, showcasing communication skills vital for client-facing roles.

Ulowa Hyperloop Club, Iowa City, IA

Aug 2020-Dec 2022

Executive Board/Systems Lead

- Managed a 15-member team in the SpaceX Hyperloop challenge, showcasing technical and strategic leadership.
- Garnered \$5,000 in project funding, emphasizing skills in resource mobilization and stakeholder collaboration.

Business Experience

Omnilense, Iowa City, IA

Jul 2022-Jun 2023

Co-Founder & CTO

- Directed a team of four, engineering glasses with facial recognition paired with a social media app, enhancing connections.
- Secured \$300 in a pitch contest and was granted an additional \$15,000 for the business venture.

BRDBOX, Iowa City, IA

Jul 2022-May 2023

Founder and CEO

- Successfully initiated a startup, acquiring a comprehensive grasp of end-to-end business operations.
- Excelled in supplier negotiations and customer relations, boosting supply chain efficiency and client satisfaction.

Projects

Notably (React Native, MongoDB, Express.js, Node.js, OpenAI GPT, Google Cloud Vision)

- Directed Notably to a 1st-place finish at the University of Iowa Hackathon, outperforming 200+ competitors by leveraging advanced ML/AI and cloud solutions.
- Engineered seamless integrations of OpenAI GPT-3.5 and Google Cloud Vision APIs.

Skills

- Programming: Python, Java, C++, JavaScript, Ruby, SQL, Go, HTML/CSS
- Frameworks & Databases: React, React Native, Node.js, Express.js, MySQL, Firebase, MongoDB
- **DevOps & Version Control**: Kubernetes, Docker, CI/CD, Git
- Specialized Technologies: Machine Learning, OpenCV, OpenAI GPT, Computer Vision
- Management & Soft Skills: Agile, Scrum, Effective Communication, Customer Service, Stakeholder Management