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EDUCATION

Toronto Metropolitan University   Toronto, ON
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science   *(Expected) June 2025*
- Clubs: Women in Computer Science (Event Associate), Metro Hyperloop (UI/UX Designer)
- Relevant Courses: Data Science, Probability & Statistics, Machine Learning, Data Structures & Algorithms, Database Systems, Software Engineering, Principle of Marketing

EXPERIENCE

Cyber Security Intern   May - August 2024
Bell Canada, Telecommunications company   *Mississauga, ON*
- Led critical cybersecurity projects, identifying opportunities for process improvements in incident response, security protocols, and risk management.
- Collaborated with senior analysts to evaluate and refine threat detection strategies, supporting agile project cycles and adapting to new security challenges.
- Applied problem-solving skills by competing in Capture the Flag (CTF) challenges, simulating real-world cybersecurity incidents that required rapid learning and adaptation.
- Managed data effectively using Excel for accurate cybersecurity operations tracking, demonstrating attention to detail and ability to manage complex datasets.

Team Lead + Senior Stylist   November 2021 - April 2024
Club Monaco   *Toronto, ON*
- Team Led a team of stylists, fostering a high-performing, collaborative environment to achieve sales targets and deliver exceptional customer experiences in a fast-paced retail setting.
- Designed and executed seasonal promotions and styled outfits for special events, demonstrating creative problem-solving and adapting to customer needs.
- Increased sales by 20% through personalized customer interactions and efficient team management.
- Developed leadership skills by mentoring new team members, improving team efficiency, and promoting continuous learning in a dynamic retail environment.

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

TMU WiCS (Women in Computer Science)   August 2024 – Present
Events Associate   *Toronto, ON*
- Implemented and executed workshops and speaker events for 60+ computer science students, fostering inclusivity and empowering women and minorities in tech.
- Worked collaboratively with diverse teams to plan and adapt events that met the needs of the community, demonstrating resourcefulness and adaptability.
- Supported the growth of the Women in Computer Science network by managing logistics and collaborating across teams to create impactful learning experiences.

PROJECTS

Big Bank - [GitHub] | *Python, Flask, React, MySQL, JavaScript*
- Developed a full-stack web application simulating banking functions such as deposits, withdrawals, and transfers, following Agile development principles.
- Led backend design, data structuring, and schema creation, testing the system for stability and optimal user alignment.
- Iterated on product design and functionality to improve user experience, identifying challenges and implementing solutions to ensure project success.

Personal Website – [Website | GitHub] | *HTML, CSS, JavaScript*
- Designed and developed a fully responsive website to showcase personal projects and skills, enhancing user engagement with interactive features.
- Applied creative problem-solving in the development of animations and hover effects, emphasizing user-centric design principles and technical execution.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Java, Python, C, C++, Unix, HTML/CSS, SmallTalk, Elixir, Rust, SQL, JavaScript
Developer Tools: VS Code, Visual Studio, Git, Jupyter Notebook, Figma, Replit, XCode
Technologies/Frameworks: GitHub, OpenGL, React, jQuery, Pandas, NumPy, Agile
Databases: MySQL, MongoDB