CHRIS PARK

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Education

University of Toronto

Sept. 2020 - Apr. 2025

Bachelor of Applied Sciences in Computer Engineering

Toronto, ON

Completed Second Year: 3.88 cGPA

Key Coursework: Programming Fundamentals, Electrical Fundamentals, Digital Systems, Engineering Design

Skills

Languages: C/C++, Python, HTML/CSS, Assembly, Verilog

Skills: React, Git, Ruby on Rails, Flask, MongoDB, MySQL, MATLAB, Pyplot, MS Power Platform

Work Experience

Backend Engineer

May 2022 – Sep 2022

Google Summer of Code | OpenStreetMap

Mountain View, CA

- Engineering the transit routing for Valhalla Routing Engine, removing dependencies and bottleneck on 3rd party API
- Streamlining transformation of raw GTFS transit data into tiled hierarchical graphs in C++
- Optimizing runtime cost by introducing caching of transit data and implementing prioritization when multi-threading
- Testing for proper transit graph creation, ensuring the layer is connected to the road graphs and the rest of the map

Founder at Shareable May 2

UofT Entrepreneurship Hatchery | Nest 2021

May 2021 – Jan 2022 Toronto, ON

- Founded a startup building an online learning platform for discovering high-quality hobby courses
- Designing the software product with extensive research, interviewed a dozen of experts on hobby teaching
- Iterating business plans and pitch decks to present to mentors, startup CEOs, and potential investors for viability
- \$3, 500 individual fellowship awarded to further pursue the business

Research Volunteer

Nov 2018 – Mar 2020

Simon Fraser University | Additive Manufacturing Laboratory

Surrey, BC

- Research, 3D-print and test plastic tensile testing samples, and design specimen for new materials
- Prepare materials in graduate students' research of new material testing, updating professor with weekly meetings
- Application of collected data in creating an elastic prosthetic human hand reacting to electric pulses

Projects

City Mapper | GitFront

- Developed a GTK Application that accesses the OpenStreetMap API using C++ to draw maps of cities that can search for streets and shops
- Implemented **A* algorithm** for finding the optimal path between multiple intersections with GUI integration for input through search and mouseclicks

Maverick | Junction Asia 2022

- Winner of the Microsoft Track of the Hackathon among finalists (\$1500 USD)
- Created a Meeting Automation Webapp that streamlined employee status updates using MS Power Platform
- Analyzed Team Data like progress blockers and completed tasks to optimize workflow and avoid bottlenecks

TimeSync | UofT Hacks | DevPost

- Developed a user-matching task organizer web application in a team of four in Python and Flask
- Implemented a matchmaking algorithm that connects users that have similar activities scheduled with overlapping time intervals to encourage teamwork using an SQLite Database