Derek Chu

Year 2, Combined Major in Computer Science and Mathematics

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Relevant Links: LinkedIn | GitHub

Languages: Java, C, C++, Python, JavaScript, R, HTML, CSS, Racket, MATLAB

Frameworks and Technologies: Git, Vue, Supabase, Tailwind, tidyverse, Visual Studio Code

EDUCATION

The University of British Columbia

Vancouver, BC

B.Sc., Computer Science and Mathematics

Sep. 2022 - Nov. 2026

- Science Scholar Recipient (cumulative average 90%+ with full course load).
- Coursework: Algorithms and Data Structures, Software Design, Computer Systems, Linear Algebra,
 Statistics, Mathematical Proof, Advanced Calculus, Discrete Math.

WORK EXPERIENCE

BrainDump

Vancouver, BC

Software Engineer – Contract-Based

Sep. 2023 - Present

- Worked in a small team of 3 developers, regularly engaged in code reviews and product discussions.
- Implemented user authentication processes.
- Developed internal plugins for user event logging to analyze user engagement to track KPIs.

PAI Health

Vancouver, BC

QA Tester – Contract-Based

Dec. 2021 – May 2022

- Identified and logged 60+ issues involving the collection, measure, and analytics of data using Jira.
- Conducted field tests to verify beta and production code using Apple TestFlight.
- Communication with developer teams over Slack and daily stand-ups hosted on Zoom.

TECHNICAL PROJECTS

Calculator | GitHub Demo | (JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Git)

August 2023

- Leveraged DOM manipulation and event handling to enhance web interactivity.
- Extended functionality using keyboard listeners enable typed input.
- Utilized modular code organization to encourage maintainability and ease of testing/debugging.

Wishlist Management System | GitHub | (Java, Swing, JUnit, JSON, Git)

January 2023

- Developed GUI using Swing, allowing user to create and manage a wish list.
- Evaluated UML class diagram and applied design patterns, leading to a **25% reduction** in code coupling and **20% increase** in code cohesion
- Achieved 100% code coverage using data-driven testing with JUnit framework to create unit tests
- Implemented data persistence using a third-party JSON package.

Heart Disease Pain Classifier | GitHub | (R, JupyterLab)

December 2022

- Implemented a KNN algorithm to classify chest pain, resulting in an improved accuracy of 42%
- Employed libraries like tidymodels and ggplot2 to enhance data visualization and analysis

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Taiwanese Canadian Cultural Society

Vancouver, BC

Volunteer

Jan. 2020 – Present

- Monitored and assisted groups of **20+ children** in cultural activities to facilitate a safe environment.
- Collaboratively formed daily schedules within a dynamic team environment.

ICPC Regionals 2023 Vancouver, BC

Logistics Volunteer Feb. 2023

Registered and organized 100+ competitors and addressed questions during competition.