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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, College of Engineering

Expected Graduation: May 2022

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Hoelt Technology and Management Minor

Phi Chi Theta - Professional Business Fraternity

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The Cambridge Group

November 2019 – March 2020

Project Management/SWE Intern

Chicago, IL

- Led a team of developers and designers in rebuilding the company website and content management system
- Planned content and website structure with firm partners to maximize client conversion rates
- Worked with front-end developers by developing responsive web pages in HTML, CSS, JS, jQuery, and PHP

Chamberlain Group

May 2019 – August 2019

Software Development Intern

Chicago, IL

- Built API services that connect Tend cameras to the MyQ platform to enable account and device management
- Used a scalable, service-oriented architecture to build C# middleware services that connect to Cosmos databases
- Worked closely with a team of developers using Azure CI/CD pipeline and Agile methodology

Cover Me App

November 2018 – Present

Co-Founder and Lead Developer

Champaign, IL

- Designed and helped build the User Interface for an iOS app that posts bars' drink deals and cover price
- Helped drive over 12,000 downloads, 500,000 app sessions, and establish a campus presence in 3 months
- Working on rebuilding the app's API using ASP.NET to support future B2B services

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Hack4Impact

December 2019 – Present

Product Research Lead

Champaign, IL

- Lead a team of Product Researchers in the sourcing of new software projects by connecting with 90+ nonprofits
- Create outlines for new products by scoping out deliverables, features, and goals for development teams to follow
- Developed a curriculum to educate new members on product research and design topics

Product Designer

September 2019 - Present

- Worked with nonprofit Life After Hate to design a centralized platform that saves employees hundreds of hours by enabling quick search of internal resources
- Designed the UI and User Experience using info from user research and stakeholder interviews
- Implemented search functionality and UI using React.js to create an interactive map that interacts with search queries
- Chosen as 1 of 13 new members out of 200+ candidates through a rigorous 3 round technical recruitment process
- Project link: <https://github.com/hack4impact-uiuc/life-after-hate>

Chicago Hacks – Chicago's First High School Hackathon

January 2017 – May 2017

Director/Website Developer – www.chicagohacks.tech

Chicago, IL

- Founded the largest high school hackathon in the Midwest, an education focused event with various workshops
- Hosted over 140 students at the Chicago Civic Opera House for a 24-hour long event
- Brought in over 25 corporate sponsors and a non-profit to raise over \$10,000 in funding and prizes

HONORS AND AWARDS

BPA Illinois High School State Competition - Fundamentals of Web Design

3rd in 2017, 1st in 2018

MathWorks Math Modeling Challenge 3rd Place Nationally for Technical Computing

2018

MathWorks Math Modeling Challenge Top 5% of all Papers

2017, 2018

Congressional App Challenge Winner – IL 8th District

2017

SKILLS

Coding: C++, C#, Java, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Python

Tools: Visual Studio, Azure DevOps, Jira, Postman, Android Studio, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, Sketch