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Skills & Knowledge

fluent

Python, Javascript, React.js, Git, Github, Unix command line, Mac OSX, SQL

rusty

Java, ASP.NET, C, PHP, VBA, Selenium, MATLAB (Octave), Windows

soft skills

Agile, test driven development, communication, teamwork, leadership, public speaking

MOOCs

Machine Learning – Coursera (awarded certificate with 100% overall grade)

Functional Programming Principles in Scala – Coursera (awarded certificate with distinction)

Education

Waterloo

Sept 2010–

April 2016

Wilfrid Laurier University – Business & Computer Science, co-op option

Candidate for Honours Bachelor Business Administration.

Candidate for Honours Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.

Experience

Kitchener

May 2014–

present

Beagle.ai – Front End Developer, Founder's Club

Beagle is a legal-tech startup in Kitchener-Waterloo which seeks to help small-and-medium businesses understand their contracts faster using artificial intelligence and real-time collaboration tools.

Built the initial prototype in AngularJS. Developing front-end in React.js and API in Python (Django).

Press: [Look out, lawyers, here comes Beagle \(The Record\)](#), [Laurier students work in legal startup \(WLU\)](#)

Seattle

Mar–Jul 2015

Microsoft Ventures Startup Accelerator – Alumnus

Beagle was the first Canadian company to be accepted into the Seattle Microsoft Ventures accelerator.

Bringing our remote dev team together, we focused on product. Developed new features and fixed bugs.

Toronto

Sept–Dec 2014

co-op position

Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan – Programmer Analyst (Solution Engineering Division)

Maintained and supported (solely) two internal web applications. One was built on PHP/MySQL/Apache, and the other was ASP.NET/Oracle/IIS. Extended server code and built features on client with React.js.

Toronto

Jan–Apr 2014

paid fellowship

Myplanet – Fellowship Program

Accepted among top 25% of applicants. Worked on a small team to solve a business problem. Developed application with Angular.js, Firebase cloud data-store, and Python daemon on back-end.

Our product was featured in Maclean's Magazine: macleans.ca/work/jobs/new-ways-to-bridge-gap

Waterloo

Sept–Dec 2013

co-op position

Axonify, Inc – Quality Assurance Engineer

Performed manual acceptance testing, regression testing, and designed test plans for new features.

Built a project to perform automated browser unit testing with Selenium, integrated with Jenkins builds.

Waterloo

May–Aug 2012

co-op position

Validus Research, Inc – Catastrophe Risk Analyst & Application Developer

Designed and developed a RESTful API with a Python back-end processing large SQL datasets, a browser front-end with jQuery, and several command line tools in Python.

Waterloo

Sept 2010–2014

extracurricular

Laurier Debating Society – President, VP Marketing, Leger 2014 Tournament Director

Oversaw a budget of approx. \$20,000. Fundraising approx. \$10,000 from institutional sources.

Debated around the world: Manila, Philippines; Berlin, Germany; Victoria, BC; Halifax, NS; and more.

Waterloo

Sept 2012–2015

MS2Discovery Research Institute – Web Coordinator

Designed website for [2015 AMMCS-CAIMS academic conference](#), built a Python-generated static site.

Maintained [MS2Discovery website](#), making timely updates and code fixes.

Waterloo

Sept 2012–2014

Wilfrid Laurier University – Computer Science Instructional Assistant

Supervised, graded, and assisted 60 students during a bi-weekly computer science lab teaching Python.