

James Gao

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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley | Expected Graduation: Dec 2021

Computer Science

SAT: 1530

ATAR: 99.20

Relevant Courses:

Probability and Statistics, Linear Algebra and Differential Equations, Rhetoric

University of New South Wales | Two Semesters

Bachelor of Commerce / Bachelor of Laws

Relevant Courses

Introducing Law and Justice, Introduction to Probability and Statistics, Business Finance

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNSW Business Society | Sydney, NSW

March 2019 – October 2019

Subcommittee Member

- Selected from a pool of 300 applicants to be a part of the largest society on campus; elected as part of the Social Subcommittee in control of hosting events.
- Raised \$35000 to finance 500+ people events that aimed to inspire and empower business students by setting up workshops and connecting them to networking resources.
- In hosting these events, managed resources, finances and logistics and further gained experience in design, marketing and strategic marketing subgroups.

Sydney University Business Comp (Initiate 48) | Sydney, NSW

February 2018

Competitor

- Competed among 150 students to kick-start a business idea and create business plan for smart check-out lines.
- Mentored by and pitched idea to successful entrepreneurs and CEOs
- Made top 10 most impressive startup ideas

Advance Diversity Services Multicultural Youth Leadership Group | Sydney, NSW

October 2018 – June 2019

Board Member

- Selected for a social justice government youth diversity council.
- Investigated various social issues (Refugee crisis, domestic, gender, education disparities) prevalent in Sydney Central area and pitched suggestions to the local government for improvement.
- Hosted and managed logistics of several programs and events to raise awareness of pressing issues.

LEADERSHIP AND EXTRACURRICULARS

Australian Army Cadet Corps | Sydney, New South Wales

Jan 2014 – Jan 2019

Sergeant Qtr Master & Section Leader

- Lead sections of 10 to platoons of 30 students in field activities such as orienteering, roping, navigation and first aid, and fostered developmental skills such as leadership and management.
- Developed stock sheets and managed the organization and distribution of resources for the whole Corps on a weekly basis.
- Travelled to Majura Training Area to compete in and achieve the Adventure Training Award (recognized by the Australian Army) - a week-long physically and mentally intensive course that tested survival, leadership and management skills.

Athletics: JV/Varsity | Sydney, New South Wales

Jan 2013 – Dec 2019

Senior Team Member, Starter

- As senior team member, assisted captain in overlooking development in junior members, organizing and leading practices
- Out of all GPS Schools, made NSW CIS team and became State champions
- Competed in annual national Australian Volleyball Schools Cup and qualified for UTS Volleyball Club

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Skills: Mandarin, Cantonese and English, Microsoft Office, Microsoft Office (Excel, PowerPoint), Adobe (Photoshop), R

Interests: poker, basketball, volleyball, hiking, visual arts, piano, EDM, Black Mirror