JOSEPH GAO

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EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer Penn Labs Fall 2015 - Present

- Developed backend tools in Ruby and Python for the Penn OpenData API.
- Implemented bug fixes and optimized functionality for the Penn Common Funding Application.

Web Developer The Daily Pennsylvanian Spring 2015 – Present

• Developed online content in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript for the student body at Penn.

Information Systems Consultant Student Federal Credit Union Spring 2015 – Present

- Maintained SFCU's website and server, and audited security of financial data storage systems.
- Developed tools in Python and Ruby for internal committees.

Information Tech. Consultant University of Pennsylvania Fall 2014 – Spring 2015

• Addressed, diagnosed, and advised on various technical issues encountered by Penn students.

Business Development Intern 3Top Inc. Summer 2015

Conducted segmented market research in order to formulate an effective growth strategy.

EDUCATION

Philadelphia, PA University of Pennsylvania Fall 2014 – Spring 2018

- B.S.E. in Computer Science, Minor in Statistics.
- 3.5 GPA

PROJECTS

Barter (in progress) Winter 2015

- iOS app for users interested in trading their used goods with other users nearby.
- Includes an in-app chat client, recommendation system, and location-based features.

Collaborate Fall 2015

- Rails app that allows users to pitch startup ideas and receive feedback for their MVPs.
- Users are each provided with unique recommendations, and are allowed to upvote their favorite products.

RubyGem for Penn OpenData API

Fall 2015

- Improved the Penn OpenData API RubyGem by optimizing its iterative API call process.
- Wrote MiniTests to ensure proper functionality and expanded existing test coverage.

Humans of New York Analysis

Spring 2015

Analyzed Humans of New York Facebook page to investigate why some posts get more likes than others.

TextFeed Spring 2015

- Allows any phone to receive live crime data using a simple SMS query without ever relying on cellular data.
- Awarded "Best Public Safety App" from TASER, and "Best Use of Comcast API" from Comcast.

Languages and Technologies

- · Java, Ruby, Python, JavaScript, Node, Hadoop, Swift, HTML, CSS.
- Rails, Django, Flask, Express, Sinatra, Git, Eclipse, XCode.