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EDUCATION

University of Central Florida

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Dec 2024 GPA: 3.61

SKILLS

Languages C#, TypeScript, SQL, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Python

Frameworks & Tools .NET, ASP.NET Core Web API, React, WPF, Entity Framework Core, LINQ,

SQL Server, PostgreSQL, Jenkins, Jest, Git, Docker, Azure, AWS

WORK EXPERIENCE

Acuity Brands, Inc.

Software Engineer Intern

May 2024 - Aug 2024

Remote

- Integrated a theme switching feature into a React micro-frontend and Node.js backend that enables users to toggle between light and dark modes on multiple web applications, improving user experience
- Resolved a range of React and Node.js issues, including authentication problems, context sharing complexities, and UI inconsistencies, to deliver consistent theme switching across multiple applications.
- Created mock servers with Docker and JavaScript for two React apps, enabling developers to simulate and test against various API responses and edge cases

University of Central Florida

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Jan 2024 - May 2024 Orlando, FL

- · Conducted research on the topic of autonomous scientific laboratories for the U.S. Department of Energy
- Created robotics simulations in Unity and wrote algorithms in C# to control and coordinate robots to complete pick-and-place tasks to replicate automation in real-world laboratory scenarios

PROJECTS

Speedrun History Visualizer | React, ASP.NET Core Web API, SQL Server, Azure, AWS

- Developed a full-stack web application with React and .NET, hosted on Azure, and features data visualizations, user authentication via JWT tokens, user search history, and notifications
- Built a notification system that alerts users to leaderboard changes by periodically polling the Speedrun.com API using AWS EventBridge, SQS, and Lambda functions
- Created a bar chart race using D3.js that can illustrate the historical progression for any given speedrun category, with data derived from processing runs from the Speedrun.com API

Project Mercury (Senior Capstone) | React, React Native, JavaScript, Jenkins, Jest

- Contributed to Project Mercury, a platform streamlining communication and administrative tasks for soldiers and leaders within the U.S. Army Reserve
- · Reduced loading times on 11 pages with potentially long lists/tables by integrating client-side pagination
- Improved frontend testing standards by creating Jest unit tests for all utility functions, deploying a Jenkins CI pipeline for test automation, and improving the efficacy of manual QA testing processes
- · Increased user satisfaction by resolving bugs identified through user feedback and manual QA testing

Chess Desktop App | C#, .NET, WPF

- · Developed a single-player chess desktop application featuring a user interface built with WPF
- Implemented chess logic in C# to generate legal moves, and integrated a minimax algorithm with alphabeta pruning to create a simple AI opponent