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#### PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE AND PROJECTS

## Homathko Satellite Design — On-Board Computer System

A student-run project to design a 3u CubeSat that will service observatories by providing a light of known intensity from orbit; this will allow for correction of atmospheric disturbances. Working on the team designing the on-board-computer system (both software and hardware). <a href="https://www.ecosat.ca/homathko/">www.ecosat.ca/homathko/</a>

# CSA 2u CubeSat Design — On-Board Computer System

An extension of Homathko, executing the same task. With a \$200,000 grant from the CSA and a guaranteed launch from the ISS. Working on the team designing the on-board-computer system (both software and hardware). <a href="https://www.uvsd.com">uvsd.com</a>

#### School District no. 62 Tech Committee — EMCS Student Rep.

Represented the student population of EMCS in the Technology Committee of SD62, consisting of members from the administrative board and other schools.

# **CS Tutor** — Private Computer Science Tutoring

Tutoring several people in software development for various computer science classes.

#### **Website Design** — Personal Websites

Worked on several non-commercial websites.

#### **Guest Lecturer** — Computer Science Presenter

Talking in various first-year Computer Science classes about embedded systems, operating system construction, and error handling and detection.

### **EDUCATION**

## **University of Victoria**, Victoria, BC, Canada — BaSc (Comp Sci)

September 2016 - April 2020

In the process of earning a degree in computer science, with a focus on machine learning and artificial intelligence.

# **EMCS**, Sooke, BC, Canada — *Dogwood Diploma*

September 2012 - June 2016

Completed dogwood diploma at EMCS in French Immersion.

#### **SKILLS**

- Java, C, Python, HTML, JavaScript, CSS, and C++
- Teamwork and leadership
- Assembly
- React and Golang
- HALCogen
- Eclipse and Code Composer Studio
- Windows Mac and Unix
- Command Line and Git
- Graphic design
- Sony Vegas
- Excel and PowerPoint

#### **AWARDS**

- Certificate of Merit: Honour Roll at FMCS
- Academic Excellence Award:
  Excellence in Calculus 12 and
  Physics 12 at EMCS
- English 12 AP Award: Outstanding Senior in English
- Quinnlyn Noah Stamford Memorial Award: Senior Musicianship Award at PJ Music Studios

#### **INTERESTS**

- Machine learning and Al
- Computer Science and algorithms
- Satellite design
- Calculus and linear algebra
- Web design
- Building computers
- Photography
- Cinematography
- Piano

\*References available upon request

# REFERENCES

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