Kelvin Zhao

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EDUCATION

University of British Columbia • Bachelor of Science, Computer Science • Vancouver, BC, CAN • May 2024 Grad

Key Courses: 416: Distributed Systems, 418: Parallel Computing, 317: Internet Computing

SKILLS

Programming Languages: Java, JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, C#

Tools and Frameworks: React, Angular, Node.js (Express), Flask, AWS (CDK), Docker, Git, Linux

EXPERIENCE

Sony Pictures Imageworks

Vancouver, BC, CAN

Jul 2023 – Jan 2024

Software Developer Intern

- sumentation discovery
- Designed and implemented a full-stack, cross-platform note application for artist documentation discovery and accessibility using Angular, Flask, Oracle, and Electron. Worked in a Unix/Linux environment.
- Successfully introduced CI/CD pipeline to build and deploy an application with web and desktop variants
 from a shared codebase using Docker and GitHub Actions, improving development processes and velocity.
- Created an Oracle database schema using SQLAlchemy ORM to manage and categorize over 200 artist notes, optimizing content organization and retrieval on the company's isolated content delivery network.
- Designed and implemented RESTful APIs to handle robust **CRUD operations** on notes, categories, and tags.
- Implemented UI/UX enhancements **outside of project scope** based on direct user feedback. Communicated development updates to the broader team and maintained open communication during rollout.

Paragon Testing (Acquired by Prometric)

Remote (Vancouver, BC, CAN)

Software Developer Intern

Jan 2022 – Aug 2022

- **Designed and implemented 35+ full-stack feature requirements** for first-party applications using Angular and C# in accordance with stakeholders' needs for changing business requirements.
- Increased efficiency of quality assurance by 30% by writing SpecFlow scripts to automate repetitiveness of feature testing and regression testing, significantly reducing manual effort and potential for human error.
- Optimized operational reports and SQL stored procedures to maintain quality of business intelligence, which reduced the number of redundant outgoing reports by 86%.
- Enhanced the functionality of several internal web applications. Transformed Angular components to **optimize administrative processes** and resolve UI problems that were negatively impacting productivity.

PROJECTS

LetMeInUBC

- A **serverless React app** to help UBC students with course registration by sending an email when a desired course becomes available—for free! Attracted and serviced **over 300 unique course tracking requests**.
- Designed a course notification service using **Beautiful Soup** and **AWS** (API Gateway, Lambda, Cognito, and SES) to detect and notify students when a course was available. Developed using AWS CloudFormation.
- Simplified Python and TypeScript services to use AWS Lambda and DynamoDB instead of previous container hosting, which removed 100% of costs (\$45 to \$0 per month)

Echo

- A platform game developed for *Global Game Jam 2020* using C# and Unity 2D Engine.
- Led a team of 3 developers, facilitating the implementation of core game mechanics and functionality while closely communicating with game artists. Assisted game artists with level design and Unity-related issues.
- Delegated high-priority programming tasks and ensured delivery of a demo within the 48-hour deadline.