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EDUCATION

MCMASTER UNIVERSITY

B.A.Sc Honours in Computer Science

Expected May 2016 | Hamilton, ON (DeGroote School of Business)

COURSEWORK

UNDERGRADUATE

McMaster University:
Data Structures & Algorithms
Computer Architecture
Operating Systems
Principles of Programming
Software Design Fundamentals
Computer Based Problem Solving

INDEPENDENT

Johns Hopkins University:
Data Science Specialization via Coursera
Stanford University:
CS193P - iPhone Application
Development

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

Languages:

Java • Objective-C • JavaScript HTMI 5 • CSS

Frameworks:

Node.js • Angular.js • iOS CocoaTouch Design & Development Patterns: Object Oriented Programming Agile Methodologies • MVC Design RESTful Web Services Technologies:

Amazon Web Services • NGINX MongoDB • GIT • XCode

INTERESTS

Big Data • Cloud Computing • Service Oriented Architecture • Startups • Entrepreneurship • UI/UX Design

EXPERIENCE

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT | McMaster University

June 2014 – Present | Hamilton, On

- Working under the supervision of Dr. Kevin Veenstra (DeGroote School of Business), I build web application to assist in data scraping and aggregation.
- Indeed & Glassdoor Crawler extract hundreds of thousands of reviews for S&P 500 companies from Indeed and GlassDoor. Saving over \$5000 worth of manual data entry costs.
- RateMyProfessor Crawler Revision of Indeed & Glassdoor Crawler with caching mechanisms implemented to reduce server load after a failed crawl.
- Stack: Node.js, Angular.js, MongoDB, NGINX, Amazon Web Services

TECHNICAL CO-FOUNDER | WOOF LABS, INC

Feb 2014 - June 2014 | Toronto, On

- Woof is a social network for dog lovers, available today on the Apple App Store.
- Over 50,000 downloads and 150,000 pictures uploaded.
- Prioritized project deadlines and communications via team collaboration applications.
- Re-focused software development to follow modern agile development methodologies.
- Implemented cloud infrastructure to handle exponential user growth.
- Designed user interfaces for iOS and web applications.

LEAD MOBILE DEVELOPER - IOS | NITEROLL, INC

May 2013 - April 2014 | Ottawa, On

- NiteRoll iPhone app Implemented workflows for purchasing tickets and using them for entry. Created custom user experiences using Apple MapKit API. Users no longer required to print tickets for event entry.
- NRAccess iPhone & iPad app Developed application from requirements to final production release. Implemented workflows for adding and entering guests, viewing door analytics, and scanning tickets through device camera. Reduced guestlist lookup times by 90%. Clients each saved on average \$100 in ticket scanning hardware costs per unit.
- Worked with backend teams to ensure projects were being developed according to client requirements.
- Used past experience in nightlife and live event management to provide sales teams with industry expertise in select markets.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

SPEAKER | GOOGLE DEVELOPER GROUP

March 2014 | Waterloo, On

- Presented to a group of local developers about the "MEAN" web development stack, its pros & cons and did a "code together" demo, where as a group we created a real-time chat application.
- Slides slideshare.net/kurtdacosta/the-mean-stack-an-introduction
- Code github.com/kurtbradd/MEAN-Chat-App

GROUPS

2014 Waterloo Google Developer Group2012 McMaster Computer Science Society