# **Kush Thaker**

## What I Do

- Determine tech requirements
- Refine product backlog in JIRA
- Analyze data with Python, SQL
- Communicate to all audiences
- Collaborate on designs
- Promote culture of deep work

## Education

#### Systems Design Engineering

University of Waterloo 2020 Bachelor of Applied Science

# TD Scholarship for Community Leadership

• Selected as 1 of 20 national recipients of award in 2013

# Community

### Board Member -Future Possibilities for Kids

• Guide long-term direction and represent Toronto charity that impacts 400 kids per year

## Student Trustee - York Region School Board 2013

• Elected by student senate to voice issues of 120k students, co-founding <u>CanYouth</u> publication

# Work Experience

Associate Product Manager Intern AppDirect. Montreal. May - Dec 2018

B2B seller platform. 600 employees. F500 clients. \$60M annual revenue.

- Release 2019 <u>security product</u> in 3 months before Windows threat detection updates put 70,000 telco end-users at risk, securing \$2M ARR
- Upgrade remote <u>support chat</u> experience from desktop app to web embed, responsible for wireframes, user stories and phased rollout

### Product Manager Intern

Influitive. Toronto. Sep 2016 - Dec 2017

B2B advocate hub. 100 employees. \$10M annual revenue.

- Contributed to research, specifications and rollout messaging of customer analytics features, developing on business intelligence tools
- Develop scalable process for stakeholders to submit feature requests, vote on use cases, and help team leads prioritize sprints
- Analyze admin user workflows and write requirements for CSV export builder <u>feature</u>, enabling marketers to surface buried advocate insights

SQL Database Admin Intern Rubicon Project. San Francisco. Jan - Apr 2016 Open ad exchange \$MGNI. 600 employees. \$160M annual revenue.

• Increase capacity of on-premise file system by 63% over 4 months by migrating historical datasets to Amazon S3 and Glacier storage

### Marketing Analyst Intern

Polar. Toronto. Sep - Dec 2014

Native ads platform. 40 employees. Serve ads for real news.

• Help account managers prepare for quarterly business reviews. Query ad performance data, compute benchmarks, and offer recommendations

# **Projects**

#### Free Time Side Projects

Markham. Apr 2020 - present

- Design & prototype calendar assistant to promote deep work
- Complete <u>deeplearning.ai</u> Natural Language Processing specialization
- Scrape Amazon product metadata and <u>summarize</u> for SMB client
- Write report 'Complex Systems & Electoral Swings in Province of Ontario'
- Write essay 'Democracy, Disinformation and Deep Fakes'