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EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science

Seattle Pacific University

Seattle, WA

Expecting June 2025

- SPU Transfer Merit Scholarship
- Coursework: Data Structures and Programming, Algorithm Design and Analysis, System Design, Database Management, Cybersecurity Fundamentals

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Frontend: React.js, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Redux, Webpack, Babel
- Backend & Database: NodeJS, MongoDB, SQL, RESTful APIs, PHP (basic)
- Tools & Platforms: Figma, Git/GitHub, AWS S3, DynamoDB, WordPress CMS and plugin customization
- **Programming Languages:** JavaScript, Python, C++, Rust, SQL

WORK EXPERIENCE

Education, Technology & Media Student Assistant

Seattle, WA

Seattle Pacific University

October 2022 – Present

- Drafted a step-by-step guide of instructions including screenshots to illustrate the usage of Canvas for instructors, leading to deeper understanding and greater adoption amongst 2000 users.
- Redesigned Canvas navigation structure, reducing confusion by 50% and improving UI accessibility.
- Implemented UI/UX accessibility improvements, leading to a 10% increase in user engagement.

Computer Science Teacher Assistant Intern

Seattle, WA

Seattle Pacific University

July 2023 – April 2024

- Collaborated with political science and computer science professors to develop interactive geography maps featuring the world, the United States, Washington state and Native American lands within, to support student learning.
- Applied user-friendly UI/UX components using React.js, JavaScript, and Google GeoChart for interactive map navigation and dynamic data visualization.
- Developed a MongoDB database connected to Node.js backend that manages and serves geographic data for countries, states, and Native American lands.

PROJECTS

WhatColor Colorblindness App (React Native, Python, AWS S3, DynamoDB)

September 2024 – Present

Front-end developer

- Designed wireframes & UI using Figma with colorblind-friendly palettes
- Developed Android front-end, integrating on-device Machine Learning to detect & label colors
- Engineered accessibility features (custom contrast modes, camera & gallery inputs)
- Integrated UI with RESTful APIs in collaboration with backend services

HTTP Library (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)

June 2024

• Independently developed a lightweight JavaScript library for HTTP requests and custom form validation. Owned the full design and testing cycle, ensuring seamless front-end integration.

Task Manager (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)

May 2024

• Led frontend development and worked with teammates to build a full-stack task management web app supporting CRUD operations with database interaction.

VOLUNTEER WORK

Teacher Assistant & Web Developer

September 2021 - Present

Van Lang Vietnamese Cultural & Language School

Seattle, WA

- Collaborated with experienced software developers to design and implement the layout of the school website using WordPress, aligning with the school's educational goals and visual branding.
- Gained hands-on experience with WordPress theming, content structuring, and plugin integration in a real-world, collaborative setting.
- Boosted performance by cutting page-load time 65% (from 4 s to 1.4 s), enhancing UX and SEO.
- Supported classroom instruction by developing clear learning materials and providing one-on-one support to students in Vietnamese language learning.