Leslie Xin

Systems Design Engineering, University of Waterloo 2022

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skills

Languages JavaScript · TypeScript · HTML · CSS · Python · Java · C++

Frameworks & Tools Git · React · Flask · Django · Spring Boot · GraphQL · PostgreSQL · MongoDB · OpenGL

Product & Design Figma · Sketch · InVision · Information Architecture · User Research & Testing · Accessibility

experience

Twitter — Design Engineering Intern

2021 / Remote

Built a Figma Plugin with React and TypeScript to enable designers to use and maintain the Twitter emoji library.

Designed, developed, and shipped a new design system library documentation experience.

Shopify — Frontend Engineering Intern

2020 / Remote

Led front-end development of organization ownership transfer feature using React Hooks, TypeScript, and GraphQL.

Built and delivered global two-factor authentication feature to 1000+ of Shopify's largest merchants.

Cognite — Software Engineering & Product Design Intern

2020 / Oslo

Architected and developed new data-centric business application from design to release using **TypeScript**, **React Hooks**, **Styled Components**, **Redux**, and **Firebase**.

Led the development of 15+ foundational, reusable, and themed components—informed by 6+ user interviews, interactive workshops, and design system guidelines.

Microsoft — Software Engineering & Product Intern

2019 / Seattle

Led design and development of Microsoft's Power Platform diagnostics tool built using React, TypeScript and Kusto.

Decreased support ticket volume by 20% and increased NPS by 7pts by building end-to-end solution for 40,000+ companies.

Bungalow — Software Engineering & Product Design Intern

2018 / Kitchener

Designed and developed 2 highly requested customer features using Python Django and Vue.js.

Led redesign of the initial user application, increasing sign-up conversion rate by 15%, improving data visibility in the conversion pipeline, and enabling A/B testing.

Live Labs (CIBC) — Full-stack Developer Intern

2018 / Toronto

Defined, architected, and developed 3 standalone projects with Java Spring, Swift iOS, Android, Docker, and AWS.

research & projects

Quantum Storytelling — Undergraduate Research Assistant

2021

Using interactive digital storytelling to represent transformative quantum technologies in augmented/extended reality.

Waterworks 2021

Created an interactive heatmap of where people have cried on UWaterloo campus using React, Typescript, and Python.

Sounds of Home 2021

Designed and developed an interactive audio visual experience using React, TypeScript, and Procreate.

Stillae 2019

1st place winner in Biomimicry Institute's Global Design Competition. Featured in the "Inventors" episode of CBC's The Nature of Things and in a 2023 exhibit at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry.

teaching

Introduction to React + Hooks Workshop

2021

Created and presented interactive workshop to 500+ students at Hack the North 2020++ and Bolt Conference 2021.

community

16 Weeks of Internships Creating an online community to humanize the tech industry

UW Blueprint Building technology for social good