

# Brandon Liang

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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Programming:** Python, Javascript, Typescript, Java, C, SQL, HTML/CSS

**Frameworks/Databases:** React.js, Next.js, Node.js, FastAPI, Express.js, Django, MongoDB, PostgreSQL

**Cloud:** Azure, GCP, AWS

## EXPERIENCE

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### Software Developer

Mar. 2025 - Present

#### Optimize Everything

Remote

- Developed core rideshare user flows (user flow, ride matching) using React/TypeScript with Python/FastAPI, scaled to support 10,000+ users
- Designed and implemented a secure JWT authentication system with role-based access, refresh token rotation, and a validation flow for schemas
- Implemented comprehensive test automation covering 85% of critical paths (Jest frontend/Pytest backend)
- Took ownership in key early frontend infrastructure decisions and payment workflow planning in a fast-paced startup environment

### Software Developer

Oct. 2024 - Feb. 2025 (Contract)

#### Z-Motors Group

Vancouver, BC

- Launched a marketing website with Next.js and Decap CMS that improved content update times from 2 hours down to 10 minutes by enabling non-technical staff to manage content independently
- Reduced page load times to under 2 seconds by implementing Next image optimization strategies
- Delivered client-side search functionality with debounced inputs and lazy-loaded results, improving interaction speed by 40% and reducing API calls by 30%

### Software Developer

Sept. 2021 - Sept. 2022

#### Ontario Ministry of Health

Toronto, ON

- Developed and tested a hospital budget reporting tool to track and analyze departmental spending, serving 200+ facilities, using React (TypeScript) for the frontend and Node.js-Express APIs with MongoDB on Azure
- Built a dynamic reporting dashboard with interactive visualizations, enabling real-time budget insights and reducing the time spent on manual data analysis by 40%
- Optimized database queries and implemented efficient archiving that reduced page load times from 8s to 2s
- Designed an in-browser spreadsheet component using React and custom hooks that streamlined data entry workflows, reducing need for page refreshes and reloads by 50%

## PROJECTS

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### Song Library

Express-Next.js

<https://www.selah-library.app>

- Developed and deployed a full-stack Next.js/Express.js application with Google Drive API integration, serving 20+ active users in production
- Designed a secure, responsive system with automated cloud synchronization, comprehensive music metadata management, and advanced search capabilities, allowing users to efficiently find and access sheet music

### Space Invaders

Android Studio-Java

<https://github.com/liangyon/phase-1>

- Developed a flexible Java game engine and created a classic Space Invaders game for Android
- Integrated efficient image processing techniques to enhance performance, resulting in 20% faster rendering

## EDUCATION

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### University of Toronto

Honours Bachelor of Science, Mathematics, Computer Science

May, 2023

Toronto, ON