Lucas Palmer

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EDUCATION

Waterloo, ON University of Waterloo Sept 2013 - Apr 2018

Bachelor of Math with majors in Computer Science, Applied Math, and Computational Math (92% average)

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Research Assistant

University of Waterloo

Jan - Apr 2017

Redesigned the user interface and added various analytical tools to an Android app that analyses network traffic

Undergraduate Research Assistant

University of Waterloo

Sept - Dec 2016

Used modern trends in Android programming to redesign an investment simulation Android app

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern

Amazon - Seattle, WA

Sept - Dec 2017

- Worked on the contextual carryover team within the Alexa machine learning platform
- Built a Django web tool that generates test cases for model testing and training
- Wrote a Python script that updates model training sets to better match live data in the NLU pipeline

Software Engineering Intern

Google - Mountain View, CA

May - Aug 2017

- Worked on the personal actions team within Google Assistant and received an offer for full-time conversion
- Created a query rewrite feature in Google Assistant Server with validation logic in Android and iOS frontends
- Used internal Google technologies to create a Google Assistant dialog for modifying settings with voice commands
- Built the initial version of the iOS frontend for an upcoming Google Assistant feature

Software Developer Intern

Toast - Boston, MA

May - Aug 2016

- Fully developed an Android display that got 1284 views with an average view time of 41 seconds in 2 weeks
- Worked on a team of 3 to build the consumer-facing kiosk feature in the Android app
- Investigated and implemented an optimization that reduced the cash-drawer open time by up to 40x

Software Developer Intern

BigRoad - Waterloo, ON

Sept - Dec 2015

Expanded the Selenium and Appium automated testing suites in the early stages of the testing infrastructure

Software Developer Intern

Side Effects Software - Toronto, ON

May - Aug 2015

Created a visual effects software node to control world-level geometry objects using Python scripts

TECHNICAL PROJECTS

- Hack Holyoke (Nov 2016): React JS and AWS S3 web app, team of 2, Best AWS Hack Winner
- Hack Penn State (Nov 2016): Climate and agriculture React JS app, team of 3, Food for Thought Prize Winner
- Hack Ohio State (Nov 2016): Myo arm band drawing app, team of 3
- Hack Harvard (Oct 2016): Text-message enabled Android app for planning and organization, solo project

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE AND AWARDS

- Computational Math Scholarship (Apr 2016, Apr 2017): Top grades in University of Waterloo Computational Math
- President's Research Award (Sept 2016, Jan 2017): University of Waterloo grant for part-time research
- Odyssey of the Mind World Finals, 2nd Place (May 2016): Performed an 8-minute, problem-solving dramatic skit
- Google Games, 2nd Place (Apr 2016): A coding and problem-solving competition hosted in Waterloo
- Beach Volleyball Provincial Champion (Aug 2015): In the 24U age division
- Beach Volleyball National Champion (Aug 2013, Aug 2014): In the 18U and 22U age divisions
- Team Canada, Beach Volleyball World Championships (July 2014): In the U21 age division, Larnaca, Cyprus
- National Scholarship (Sept 2013, declined): Distinguished achievements, University of Waterloo faculty of math

LANGUAGES AND TECHNOLOGIES

Android, Java, C++, iOS, Objective-C, Hadoop, Spark, Django, Python, HTML, CSS, JQuery, JavaScript