Alex Plaut

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Education

Indiana University-Bloomington: B.S. Informatics with a Business Cognate (Grad. 2020)

Minor in Computer Science, Honors Policy Certificate in Applied Research and Inquiry

Work Experience

Business Development and Automation Lead – Simpo.io   *Tel Aviv, Israel*

Startup, SaaS Growth Platform dedicated to improving Customer Experiences   June 2018-August 2018

- Simpo is a small start-up with offices in Tel Aviv and Palo Alto dedicated to improving user experiences by automating the technical support process, through an intelligent digital assistant that walks customers through their technical problems.
- Due to the agile structure of a start-up, I took on multiple roles as business development manager, technical writer, and test automator. My responsibilities however included areas as diverse as: product strategy and management, sales curation, market opportunity modelling, end to end testing via Selenium, software documentation, and customer flow organization.

Software Development Intern– Columbia University   *New York, NY*

Columbia University Computer Science Lab   Sep 2012- June 2016

- Worked in the Computer Science Department of Columbia University focusing on implementing and maintaining bio-informatics algorithms that help in genetic research. My primary focus was on augmenting the capabilities of an algorithm through called Germline and interfacing with users to fix codebase and integration issues.

Student Involvement and Volunteer Experience

Co-Founder/President – Effective Altruism   *Bloomington, IN*

Social Mindset and Research Organization   June 2018-Present

- Re-chartered the Effective Altruism Club at IU. The club, like it's national counterpart is dedicated to solving global problems through the application of quantitative and qualitative reasoning, charitable donations, and focused volunteerism.

Member – Blockchain and Cryptocurrency Club   *Bloomington, IN*

Student Lead Organization focused on the Blockchain   Sep 2018-Present

- Student run organization dedicated to facilitating the education of both theoretical and practical applications of Blockchain technologies, as well as learning and engaging with the technology on a personal level through investment and the development of Blockchain applications.

Early Member- Project Management Club   *Bloomington, IN*

Student Lead Organization focused on PM   Nov 2017-Present

- The SICE Project Management Club is dedicated to fostering future project managers through workshops, speaker series and career building exercises.

Cofounder- AirShip (Y-Combinator Applicant)   *New York, NY*

Cloud Based Game Synchronization Platform   Nov 2016-Present

- Co-founded a start-up dedicated to developing a cross platform game synchronization tool, that would allow users to sync their games between multiple cloud services (ICloud, Steam, etc.)(Fully functional tool).

Tutor & Volunteer - Harlem Village Academy   *New York, NY*

Progressive Charter School in Harlem   Jan-2012-Jun 2014

- Harlem Village Academy, is an organization that caters to the needs of low-income students by providing tutoring services at no cost. Mentored and tutored children in reading comprehension, math, and history; while also providing guidance with organization skills and general academic success.

Additional Skills/Awards/Volunteer Work:

- **Programming:** Java, Python, Mobile: IOS-Android (Familiar), Web Technologies: JavaScript, HTML, CSS
- **Skillset:** Front End Development, Project Management, AI (Theory), Automation, Business Development
- **Awards:** Intel Competition