ERIC XIAO

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ACADEMICS

Bachelor's in Computer Science, University of Washington-Seattle Relevant courswork: Java Programming and Data Structures

Expected Graduation Date: June 2025

High School Diploma, Sir John A. Macdonald Secondary School

Graduation Date: June 2021

EXPERIENCE

Mitra Biotechnologies

Waterloo, Ontario

Chief Technology Officer, Software Engineering

Aug 2020 - Present

GPA: 4 O

- Led the development of the Mitra Biotechnologies website, which includes advisor portals to help investors and SAB members support the company, using a React and Firebase tech stack—gained interest from 10 advisors up-to-date.
- Mentoring software developers with debugging and new skill acquisition, reviewing code, delegating new tasks, updating other executives on progress, and organizing design/coding sprints, weekly stand-up meetings, and coffee chats.
- Interviewed and recruited a diverse cohort of applicants for software development during the summer of 2021.

Waterloo, Ontario Harled Inc.

Software Engineer Intern

Aug 2020 - Nov 2020

- Worked within a team of 5 students to create a real-time flight-mapping web platform from scratch using the MERN stack.
- Developed flowcharts and Figma prototypes/mockups, and utilized React and Leaflet.js to create a flight map and dashboard.
- Worked with external libraries and polylines to map out geodesic flight paths for airplanes, and linked the React frontend to Node.is endpoints and a MongoDB database of flight information.

MyMotive Remote

Chief Technology Officer

Jun 2020 - Oct 2020

- Led the development of the company's MVP: a mobile app that allows users to host and attend RSVP-only events—finished within 2 months and led beta testing afterwards.
- Developed a React Native frontend and utilized Firebase for authentication and storage, Expo for testing and deployment, and the **Uber Deeplink API** to allow users to get rides to event venues.
- Delegated tasks and led meetings within our development team, and communicated with the executives, investors, and business side of our team remotely about our progress.

PROIECTS

AirFlip - Javascript, Python, React, Tensorflow, Web Speech API

- A web application that helps users seamlessly swipe through PDF documents using gesture detection and speech recognition; won a Finalist (top 17 projects) Award at Hack the North 2021.
- Developed a **React** user interface that includes a PDF viewer and webcam video footage, and utilized the **Web Speech API** to flip the document after speaking key words.
- Linked the frontend with a Tensorflow MoveNet machine learning model that detects head gestures to flip the PDF.

Markov Chain Lyrics - Python, Flask, React, BeautifulSoup, Genius API

- Developed a web application that uses **Markov Chains** to generate lyrics from various song artists.
- Utilized the Genius API to obtain URLs to lyrics of popular pieces from an artist, and used BeautifulSoup to scrape these lyrics.
- Created a Markov Chain using OOP in Python to generate lyrics from previous words, and connected all aspects together using a Flask backend server and a React user interface.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, Javascript, HTML, CSS, Java, Octave
- Frameworks: React, jQuery, Svelte, React Native, Processing, Flask, Node.js, BeautifulSoup, Pandas, PyTorch
- Technologies: Firebase, Figma, Google Cloud

HONORS & AWARDS

- Earned the Best Environmental/Social Good Hack Award at JAMHacks V.
- Won Second Place at MasseyHacks VI.
- Made honour rolls (Group II) and earned Distinction Award (top 25%) for the 2020 CEMC Fermat Math Contest.