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Portfolio Website: <a href="https://mertacun.github.io">https://mertacun.github.io</a>

### **EDUCATION**

# **Algonquin College**

Ottawa, ON

Web Development and Internet Applications

Sept. 2023 - Apr. 2025

- GPA: 3.92 / 4.0
- Dean's Honours List in Fall 2023, Winter 2024, Spring 2024 and Winter 2025

Areas of learning: Front End Development, Back End Development, Database Design and Management, Network Operating Systems, Web Project Management

### PROGRAM-RELATED SKILLS

Accessibility and Inclusive Design: Build WCAG-compliant sites with keyboard navigation, clear headings, alt text, high contrast, and semantic markup to ensure usability for all.

**Programming Languages and Frameworks:** Experienced with HTML, CSS, JavaScript, jQuery, Bootstrap, SQL, C#, ASP.NET, Python, and PHP. Skilled in using RESTful APIs and ensuring crossbrowser compatibility.

**Development Tools:** Experienced with Visual Studio Code, PyCharm, DataGrip, Figma, and the version control system Git.

Database Management: Skilled in designing, implementing, and managing databases (MySQL) for data retrieval needs.

**Project Management:** Experienced in Agile and Scrum methodologies for organizing and executing web projects. Proficient with Trello for sprint planning, task tracking, and team collaboration. Proven ability to manage timelines, delegate tasks, and deliver results in both solo and team settings.

### PROJECTS

**Nicole Murphy Photography Website** | *Project Manager, Wix, UX Design* 

Jan. 2025 - Apr. 2025

- Led the end-to-end development of a personal brand website for a creative professional specializing in photography, design, and branding.
- Managed project scope, timelines, and team responsibilities to ensure on-time delivery of a fully functional site.
- Built using Wix, featuring a responsive design and a live carousel component to integrate Nicole's latest Instagram content.
- Structured and organized key site sections including Home, About, Services, and Shop for a seamless user experience.
- Collaborated directly with the client to gather requirements, present design iterations, and incorporate feedback.
- Prioritized accessibility and brand consistency in layout, typography, and visual hierarchy.

- Developed a Multilingual Customer Feedback Hub to enhance user feedback accessibility.
- Created this app to address the needs of many people in Canada who cannot speak the official languages confidently, encouraging them to provide feedback.
- Enabled users to select their preferred language for writing feedback, improving user experience.
- Translated feedback in real-time to the store's preferred language using Google Translate API, ensuring effective communication.
- Focused on accessibility by incorporating features for users with disabilities, such as screen reader compatibility and keyboard navigation.
- Ensured the application is fully responsive, performing optimally on all devices.
- You can see the live demo on my portfolio website.

## WORK EXPERIENCE \_\_\_\_\_

### **Cashier Assistant**

Costco Wholesale

Sept. 2023 – Present

Ottawa, ON

- Efficiently packed member orders, implemented cleaning protocols, and provided exceptional member service, resulting in a 20% increase in positive customer feedback.
- Collaborated with team members to efficiently manage checkout lines during peak hours, minimizing wait times for members by an average of 10 minutes.
- Received consistent positive feedback for exceeding performance targets and contributing to a positive team culture. Commended with a picture displayed on the wall in January 2024 for receiving notable positive feedback from customers.

### **Language Teacher**

Oct. 2016 - Aug. 2023

Ministry of National Education

*Izmir, Turkey* 

- Created and taught lesson plans that helped students of all levels improve their language skills.
- Led fun and interactive classes, which improved student test scores by 15%.
- Ran language clubs and conversation groups to help students practice speaking.
- Gave individual feedback to students, leading to high student satisfaction.
- Guided new teachers by sharing tips and best practices.

#### **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

#### **Computer Teacher**

Feb. 2015 - Jun. 2015

Educational Volunteers Foundation

Eskisehir, Turkey

- Facilitated interactive computer lessons for children, fostering enthusiasm for fundamental computer skills.
- Crafted a dynamic educational atmosphere that encouraged curiosity and foundational understanding of technology among young learners.