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</> C++, Python, Java

🎓 Education

Bachelor of Science (BSc) Honors in Computer Science | University of Calgary

Sep. 2015 – Jun. 2021

Bachelor of Science (BSc) Honors in Biochemistry | University of Calgary

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Computer Science Major GPA: 4.00/4.00 | Biochemistry Major GPA: 3.68/4.00 | Overall GPA: 3.85/4.00
- > Courses: Data Structures, Distributed Algorithms, Cryptography, Security, Information Theory, Operating Systems, Networks

💼 Experience

Honors Research Student (Topic: Post-Quantum Isogeny-Based Cryptography)

Sep. 2020 – May 2021

Department of Computer Science, University of Calgary

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Investigated optimizations to a cryptographic protocol, by analyzing over 50 publications, to recover two alternative algorithms.
- > Progressed experiments to compare and enhance the run-time of computations, by initiating the development of Magma code implementing the studied cryptographic protocol and its two alternative algorithms.

Teaching Assistant (Course: Principles of Operating Systems)

Sep. 2020 – Apr. 2021

Department of Computer Science, University of Calgary

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Led tutorials of 45-55 students by creating presentations and C/C++ programming exercises for 96 one-hour tutorials.
- > Assessed and provided constructive feedback for over 200 C/C++ assignments by testing and debugging students' code.
- > Streamlined the evaluation of assignments by 30% in time, by automating test scripts to run on each assignment.

Software Developer

May. 2020 – Aug. 2020

VIKAMI Canada

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Consulted with the business owners and deployed an e-commerce website built on WordPress, using PHP, JavaScript, HTML, and CSS; building the business' online presence and resulting in a 20% increase in online sales in the first month.
- > Increased the accuracy of shipping estimates by 10% by implementing algorithmic improvements, while keeping scalability in mind.

Honors Research Student (Topic: Surface-Erosive Polymers for Stem Cell Growth)

Sep. 2018 – Apr. 2019

BioMEMS and Bioinspired Microfluidic Laboratory, University of Calgary

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Researched the potential of five polymer mixtures to target the delivery of protein growth factors, by analyzing data from protein structure and toxicity experiments using Igor Pro, Excel, and MATLAB.

Summer Undergraduate Researcher (Topic: Effects of Heavy Metals on Lipids)

May. 2018 – Aug. 2018

Department of Biological Sciences, University of Calgary

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Reduced time spent on manual data parsing by 80% by automating data entry and plotting using Python, Excel, and MATLAB.

📁 Projects

More projects and details: michellevynguyen.com#portfolio

dpfplusplus - A C++ Implementation for Cryptographic Distributed Point Functions

Mar. 2021 – Apr. 2021

🌐 michellevynguyen.com/portfolio/dpfplusplus.html

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Maintained and documented the codebase of a cryptographic primitive's C++ implementation, using C++ and Doxygen.
- > Enhanced user-friendliness by establishing three tutorials on getting started with the codebase, using code examples.

uScholar - A Web Application for Academic Journal Submissions

Feb. 2020 – Apr. 2020

🐙 github.com/jonsantos/uScholar | 🌐 michellevynguyen.com/portfolio/uscholar.html

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Collaborated with a team to tackle a web application for academic journal submissions. Built using JavaScript and Firebase.
- > Optimized efficiency by designing the database structure to reduce nesting and flatten data structures.

Jumpy Man - A Desktop Platformer Game

July. 2019 – Aug. 2019

🐙 github.com/michelle-n/JumpyMan | 🌐 michellevynguyen.com/portfolio/jumpyman.html

Calgary, Alberta, Canada

- > Created a desktop game in 6-weeks while learning Java, with GUI built using JavaFX.
- > Improved scalability by restructuring 25 classes to reduce coupling and increase cohesion.

🛠 Skills

Proficient with: Developing in C++, Python, and Java; working in Unix/Linux environments; and using Git version control.

Previous experience with: Developing in C, ARM Assembly, Haskell, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, PHP, Magma, and MATLAB.

📖 Clubs and Interests

Information Security Club | University of Calgary - Member

Mar. 2020 – Apr. 2021

Competitive Programming Club | University of Calgary - Member

Sep. 2019 – Apr. 2021

Science Mentorship Program | University of Calgary - Mentor

Sep. 2017 – Apr. 2019

Cycling Team | University of Calgary - Founder/President

Sep. 2016 – Apr. 2018