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EDUCATION

University of Washington (Seattle, WA)

B.S. Computer Science, Interdisciplinary Honors Program

CGPA: 3.84 (Annual/Quarterly Dean's List)

Relevant Coursework: Data Structures & Parallelism (IP), Foundations of Computing, Software Design & Implementation, Hardware & Software Interfaces (IP), Data Science Seminar (IP), System & Software Tools, Accelerated Introductory Programming I/II, Web Development, Honors CSE Problem Solving, Programming for Fun

EXPERIENCE

NASA, Software Engineering Intern (Mountain View, CA)

June 2016 - Sept 2016

Graduation Date: June 2019

- Designed and developed a path-finding tool and in-procedure execution guide using the Microsoft HoloLens for safety procedures and experiment conduction on the International Space Station, possibly replacing the current manual procedure execution process (*Technologies: Unity, C#, HoloToolkit API, Node.js, Git*)
- Implemented spatial mapping using the HoloToolKit API, UI menu selection and placing / cycling of animated holograms using C# scripts and Node.is.

UW CSE Security and Privacy Lab, Research Assistant (Seattle, WA)

October 2016 - Present

- Developing and maintaining Confidante, an encrypted email client that makes sending PGP encrypted emails easy by using Keybase for automatic key management (Technologies: JavaScript, React, Flux, Node.js)
- Implementing new features such as making private key signing optional, fixing bugs and improving UI based on user feedback and will work to port Confidante to other platforms such as desktop and mobile

TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS

Proficient: Java, XHTML, CSS, Bootstrap, JavaScript

Intermediate: PHP, SQL, React, Flux, C#, Unity, AJAX, JSON/XML, Git Version Control

Prior Experience: Android Development, UNIX/Linux environments, Node.js

PROJECTS

Java/Swing Applet - Campus Maps

2016

• Created Java Applet to determine the shortest path between two buildings on the UW Campus implementing directed labelled multi-graphs and BFS/Dijkstra's algorithm as the backend as well as front-end GUI for user interaction using Swing. (*Technologies: Java, Swing/AWT API*)

Chrome extension - XHTML-CSS Validator, Individual Project

2016

 Created chrome extension to determine the validity of XHTML and CSS according to the W3School standards for personal website development ease. (Languages: HTML, CSS and JavaScript)

Web App – InstaCap!, DubHacks 2016

2016

• Created a caption generating web app to generate suitable captions, quotes, emoticons and hashtags based on the image uploaded and mood desired using the Clarifai API, to make captioning social media images (Facebook, Instagram etc.) easier (Technologies: HTML, CSS, Client-Side JavaScript, Node.JS, Clarifai API)

ACTIVITES & LEADERSHIP

UW Society of Women Engineers, Vice-President of Community Outreach (Seattle, WA)

April 2016 - Present

 Leading a 457-member organization to organize workshops and events such as Engineering Discovery Days, Time to Invent and Girls Who Code as well as collaborating with local Seattle organizations such as UW MESA, INSPIRE, ChickTech, DreamBig and Microsoft DigiGirlz to encourage and inspire young women to pursue STEM

Other activities: UW Girls Who Code (GWC), College of Engineering Student Advisory Council (COESAC), Emerging Leader in Engineering Participant (ELE), UW Honors Peer Educator (Teaching Assistant for Honors 100: Introduction to Honors), Association of Computing Machinery (ACM)

HONORS & AWARDS – Recipient of 8 Merit-based Scholarships

UW Honors Achievement Award (awarded to one Honors Freshman annually), UW Purple & Gold Scholarship, Priscilla & Melvin Endowment, Microsoft Tuition Scholarship, Microsoft Diversity Conference Scholarship, UW SWE National Conference Scholarship, UW SWE ABJ Regional Conference Scholarship, UW WE Local Conference Scholarship