Matthew Stobo

Experience

Winter 2016 Software Engineer, Coursera, Mountain View, CA.

Took on various roles, including project lead, to improve Coursera's online learning platform.

- o Headed a project to increase user productivity by overhauling the course forums search engine.
- o Expedited the course creation processes by augmenting error reporting for automated assignment graders.
- o Advanced new forms of online education by helping develop a mentor-led learning system.
- Summer 2015 **Software Developer**, Wave Accounting, Toronto, ON.

Developed the payments platform powering thousands of small businesses.

- o Expanded our payments platform to Canadian businesses by helping create a new direct deposit platform.
- o Enabled the platform to grow by adding many missing features to our in-house risk analysis tools.
- o Raised productivity by automatically creating a risk assessment when users change personal information.
- Fall 2014 Server Developer, Enflick Inc., Waterloo, ON.

Developed the API powering the TextNow Wireless messaging and calling service.

- o Greatly increased productivity by refactoring how returns are managed in the internal inventory system.
- Enabled customers to port their personal phones to TextNow by creating a proxy to Sprint's external API.
- o Allowed users to make purchases from Windows Phone by writing server side validation for receipts.
- Winter 2014 Web Developer, Influitive Corporation, Toronto, ON.

Maintained and created features for an advocate marketing platform running Ruby on Rails.

- o Increased user engagement by helping to implement a community forum containing comments and likes.
- Improved developer efficiency by refactoring and implementing tests for old code.
- Summer 2013 **Software Developer**, *SAP AG*, Waterloo, ON.

Continued development of the multiplatform installer for the Sybase IQ database software.

- o Streamlined the build process by adding new command line features and removing compile time warnings.
- o Improved software stability by upgrading the installer back end to the newest version.

Skills

Languages (Workterm Scala, Python, Ruby, JavaScript, PHP, CSS, Shell) (School C++, C, Java, LATEX)

Frameworks (Workterm Naptime (Play), Django, Angular, Rails, Sinatra) (Personal React, Flask)

Technologies (Workterm Solr, Cassandra, Kafka, Postgres, Git, vim, Redis, MySQL) (Personal RabbitMQ)

Education

2012-Present Bachelor of Software Engineering, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, ON.

Candidate, Expected 2017

Interests

Speedrunning Hunting for game-breaking bugs and glitches that allow for insanely fast completion of a video game is what makes speedrunning so enjoyable to me.

Board Games I enjoy playing many different speciality board games, especially Dominion, Settlers of Catan and Avalon. They're even more fun when played during lunch hours!

Reading I'm a big fan of fantasy novels. Right now I'm into Brandon Sanderson's Stormlight Archive while waiting for The Winds of Winter.

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