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EDUCATION:

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

May 2014 (Expected)

Master of Science in Engineering: Major: Computer and Information Science. GPA: 3.57/4.00 Coursework: Analysis of Algorithms, Internet and Web Systems, Distributed Systems, Databases and Information Systems, Software Engineering and Testing.

Vivekanand Education Society's Institute of Technology (VESIT), Mumbai University

July 2012

Bachelor of Engineering in Computer Science.

Coursework: Data Structures, Analysis of Algorithms and Design, Operating System, System Security, Computer Organization and Architecture.

EXPERIENCE:

Cofounder at 'FillBags'

Jan 2012 - Sept 2012

'Fillbags' is a bootstrapping startup dealing with e-commerce catering to the needs of Mumbai University engineering students for books, electronics and other computer peripherals.

- Contributed in deploying the e-commerce portal on the web.
- Employed various marketing strategies for the publicity of the startup.

PROJECTS:

Know your Olympians: Online Multiplayer Game

Nov 2012 - Dec 2012

A Multiplayer Gaming Web Application based on the Game-show, 'Who Wants to Be a Millionaire' where the user's Olympic trivia is tested. It dynamically generates Quiz rooms as needed, empowers the user with lifelines such as 50-50, audience poll, phone a friend using Google Voice API and also posts individual's score on Twitter.

- Deployed an algorithm for randomly generating questions having semantic meaning from an Olympic dataset.
- Implemented Indexing and Caching to optimize Database querying and also integrated the Application with Twitter.

Roll Call: Android Application

Nov 2012 - Dec 2012

Android application developed using Parse.com database API for the Netter Center, a Penn organization for Community Partnerships. The application is in use at many of Philadelphia's community schools to collect attendance data and record

Contributed in developing an offline version of the application.

ICT Application (News Aggregator) Adhering to Accessibility Standards

Sept 2011 - Feb 2012

An elegant Online News Reading Web System with personalized services which also incorporated accessibility features for the disabled. The ICT application adhered to Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG 2.0).

- Extracted data using RSS feeds and categorized the data based on user interest.
- Incorporated Text to Speech functionalities for people with hearing deficiencies.

IPL Auction Sept 2010

Developed a Client-Server application in Visual Studio, using C# and SQL Server for helping team owners in the popular Indian Premier League to cope with the long manual bidding process.

TECHNICAL SKILLS:

- Java, C++, HTML, JavaScript, XML, C#(Prior Experience), SQL, XQuery, CSS 3.0, HTML 5.
- Eclipse, Cobertura, Microsoft Visual Studio, Netbeans IDE, J2EE, JHawk, Oracle DB, MS Access.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND EXTRA CURRICULARS:

- Placed in Top 1% (Rank 166 out of 63314) in National IT aptitude test conducted by NIIT.
- Completed a course in 'Web Hacking And Security Professional' organized by 'data64 solutions' promoted by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India with an aggregate score of 98%.
- Winner of the 'Open Software Event' conducted by CSI-Mumbai Chapter.
- Coordinator for Indian Society for Technical Education-VESIT's Student Chapter for the year 2009-2010.