# Nathan Tsai

App Developer | Web Developer | Hacker

#### **EDUCATION**

# University of California, Los Angeles | Computer Science

**EXPECTED GRADUATION: JUNE 2019** 

GPA: 3.82

#### **EXPERIENCE**

# **Developer Intern | Novacoast**

APR 2017 - PRESENT

• Create secure, robust web applications and tools that connect databases to clients (Go)

# Mobile Developer | BuildUCLA

JAN 2017 - PRESENT

• Develop the official UCLA library app that provides users with real-time data (Swift)

# Web Development Intern | Daily Bruin

JAN 2017 - PRESENT

• Design and maintain the online edition of UCLA's newspaper (JavaScript, jQuery)

#### **PROJECTS**

# **Pocket Change** | *Personal Finance (iOS App)*

- Constructed an iOS app with **Swift 3** that allows users to manage their personal budgets by illustrating how much, when, and why money was spent
- Designed animated pie charts and bar graphs that plot transaction data for each budget over various time intervals, beautifully visualizing a user's spending history over time
- Utilized regular expressions for data validation by dynamically enabling or disabling buttons and limiting text field inputs to ensure that all inputs from a user are valid

## **MarkItPlace** | *E-Commerce Platform (Web App)*

- Integrated a back end server storing user data (username, items for sale) with a front end application with **JavaScript** that utilizes the Facebook, Google, and Mapbox APIs
- Created a filtering algorithm that allows a user to find a product by key word, category, price range, and location, displaying only the markers on the map that match search queries
- Reduced load time by taking advantage of already loaded elements, efficiently saving the current state of the page before transitioning to another view, avoiding slow page refreshes

# **DataQuake** | Live Earthquake Data (Web App)

- Designed an interactive map with **JavaScript** by integrating Google Maps with dynamically drawn circles with radii that represent the magnitudes of each earthquake
- Implemented a search bar that parses the earthquake data and displays only the earthquakes at the specified location or within the given magnitude range
- Utilized Handlebars.js to automatically structure and style the data gathered from the USGS database, such as the timestamps, locations, and magnitudes of each earthquake

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#### **SKILLS**

#### **Programming Languages**

C++, Swift 3 (iOS), Go, JavaScript, C, Java, Bash, Python, Verilog

#### **Markup Languages**

HTML, CSS

## **Programming Concepts**

Object-Oriented Programming, Data Structures, Sorting Algorithms, Inheritance, Polymorphism, Big O Notation, Encapsulation, Trees

#### Software

Docker, Github, Salesforce, Solidworks, Microsoft Excel

### Libraries / Frameworks

jQuery, WebGL, Handlebars.js, Bootstrap, Materialize.io

#### IDE's

XCode, Microsoft Visual Studio, Eclipse

## Languages

English (native), Mandarin (fluent)

## **AWARDS**

# **Dean's Honor List**

Scholastic distinction granted to UCLA engineering students who obtain a GPA of **3.7** or above and enroll in at least **15** units (Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Winter 2017, Spring 2017)

#### **AP Scholar with Honor**

Granted to students who receive an average score of at least **3.25** on all AP exams taken, and scores of **3** or higher on four or more of these exams

# **Community Service Award**

Awarded to students who have given at least 300 hours back to the community through volunteer work