Param Thakkar

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EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer Intern

July 2022 – August 2022

Pulley

California, United States

Toronto, Canada

- Worked alongside the CTO to streamline the developer onboarding process by 50%
- Added quality-of-life features on Pulley's flagship product using React that directly impact customers

Instructor August 2021 – April 2022

Coder Cookies

Taught Python to students through a project-based learning model

• Assessed students and created reports to ensure students are on track

Web Developer Intern

NOVA x Network

December 2020 – June 2021

Toronto, Canada

• Created an application portal using React and Firebase

• Reduced time required to review applications by 25% using Zapier

President October 2020 – June 2021

Port Credit Coding Club

Mississauga, Canada

• Led a team of **5 executives** to organize weekly workshops covering various topics like web development and data structures/algorithms in Python

• Coordinated multiple alumni talks with upwards of **50 participants**

Lead Organizer December 2020 – April 2021

Lighthouse Hacks (lighthousehacks.ca)

Virtual

- Led a team of organizers to plan, market, and host a virtual hackathon
- Attracted over 200 participants from 10 countries and over \$40,000 in prize value

PROJECTS

1pt.co URL Shortener | React, Node.js, Express, MySQL

- Built and deployed an open-source URL shortening service alongisde a public REST API
- Currently has more than 20,000 links and over 200,000 visits
- Implemented a system to detect and prevent users from being redirected to malicious URLs

URL Checker - GitHub Marketplace | Python, Docker

- Developed a GitHub Action that regularly validates URLs used in a project and notifies the author if anything breaks
- Relied upon by 25 repositories with a combined 4000+ stars on GitHub

Meme Stock Analyzer Bot | Python, Reddit API, TravisCI, Git

- Created a Reddit bot that analyzes the virtual "stock market" on the r/MemeEconomy subreddit to suggest which investments to make
- Ranked among the ${f top}$ 500 Reddit bots out of over 20,000 bots

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, JavaScript, React, Java, PHP, SQL, HTML/CSS, Sass

Tools: Linux, Git, CI/CD, Docker, Firebase, Figma

Databases: MySQL

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Offered the Schulich Leader scholarship (\$100,000) from the University of Toronto
- Placed 1st at Imagine hackathon for developing a math learning platform
- Won the "Most Creative App of the Month" award from MIT App Inventor

EDUCATION

University of Waterloo

Pursuing a Bachelor of Computer Science (BCS)