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# **EDUCATION**

University of Saskatchewan

Jan. 2022 to Jan. 2024

M.Sc Computer Science 2024

Area of focus: Computer vision. GPA: 4.0

Computer Science and Mathematics-economics

Wheaton College, Massachusetts

Aug. 2015 to May 2019

## **SKILLS**

Tools/Packages: PyTorch, Pandas, Numpy, Scikit-Image, Git, ReactJS

Languages: Python, Javascript, MySQL, HTML5, CSS

## **EXPERIENCE**

#### University of Saskatchewan, Canada

#### **Graduate Research/Teaching Assistant**

Jan. 2022

- Develop and integrate new features into Plotreel, a web application designed for the selection of sequential crop-field images, resulting in a notable reduction in selection time and providing the capability for image review.
- Implement comprehensive unit tests for Plotreel backend (Bottle framework) with 90% code coverage.
- Teach and review Python programming topics ranging from recursion, arrays, and dictionaries for 6 hours a week with 20 students.
- · Assist and guide students with their programming assignments and labs every week.

#### Thimphu Techpark Limited, Bhutan Software Developer, ERP Division

Nov. 2020 to Nov. 2021

- · Worked on ERPNext, an open-source web-based enterprise resource planning (ERP) system based on Python, Javascript, and Frappe framework.
- Developed and implemented a provident fund module allowing module access to all 1000 employees compared to a legacy system that only 2 people could access.
- · Reduced the provident fund interest calculation, disbursement, and data collection from 2 weeks to 1 hour.
- Provided constant development, support, and maintenance, resolving over 200+ tickets by creating tailored solutions and features for each of the seven big companies in Bhutan.

### Watson Foundation, Tanzania/Mongolia/Nepal Thomas J Watson Fellow

July 2019 to July 2020

- Collaborated with organizations in Tanzania, Mongolia, and Nepal to investigate the development of local robotics capacity and the integration of drone technology through community partnerships with technology organizations.
- Mapped outdoor toilets and Ger(tent) in the oldest settlement in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia using drone and satellite images to study soil pollution.
- Developed and led diverse educational programs, including instruction in R/Python programming, drone technology, and STEM education for primary school students.

## Makerspace, Wheaton College

Lab Assistant

Jan. 2017 to May 2019

- Facilitated weekly office hours to instruct students and faculty on the operation of 3D printers and laser cutters, increasing monthly usage by 8 users.
- Collaborated with the resident office department to teach Resident Advisors the operation of 3D printers and laser cutters, fostering cross-functional teamwork and expanding Makerspace's user base.

## **AWARDS**

Thomas J. Watson Fellowship, Watson Foundation

July 2019

One of only 40 graduates nationwide(US) to be awarded this highly selective grant for independent research outside of the United States and home country.

# **PROJECTS**

### Kongtsey (kongtsey.com)

Web-based free test preparation platform built on **ReactJS** and **Firestore** for the Royal Civil Service Examination of Bhutan with 500 users and increasing, to address the inequality in educational resources.

#### Laktaa

Android mobile application built on **React Native/ Redux** and **Firestore** for logistics brokerage service to address the lack/expensive logistics services for Bhutanese farmers.