Samuel Chen

WORK EXPERIENCE

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Alcumus ☐ Product Manager Sep 2022 – Present (Toronto, ON)

- Creating product documentation to communicate requirements to developers, designers, and key stakeholders.
- Utilizing Google Looker to analyze key metrics and drive product strategy throughout the product lifecycle.
- Participating in user research sessions with customers (user interviews and usability sessions) to develop findings into actionable insights.

KPMG Canada, Ignition Tax 12 Product Manager

May 2022 – Aug 2022 (Toronto, ON)

- Led the migration of a financial database to a cloud platform used by 250+ internal and client users.
- Contributed to the automation of a key workflow using Alteryx. This involves the download of financial data from an SFTP server, data manipulation, and updating the database which saves employees 5 hours biweekly.
- Spearheaded a feedback collection process to convert pain points into prioritized features for the product.
- Took the initiative to build ad-hoc VBA macros to reduce 2+ hour processes to 5 minutes.

iContribute ☐ Product Manager

Dec 2021 – May 2022 (Ottawa, ON)

- Led a team of 6 to build a filter feature which solves key pain point for over 750 active users (MAU).
- Collaborated on the implementation of real time metrics collection to give internal stakeholders visibility and the opportunity to build a business case for external funding.
- Developed product requirement documents and conducted user interviews to align 15+ team members to overarching business objectives and empathize with the users.
- Built pitch decks to raise funding and piloted the app across 3 schools to over 2000+ students.

Philip Morris International 🔁 Consumer Experience Analyst

May 2021 – Dec 2021 (Toronto, ON)

- Formulated systems solutions to improve usability for ~ 1000 B2B users increasing estimated product leads by 900% for the following year.
- Defined user requirements and led pain point analysis workshops to build empathy for the core and IT teams.
- Designed 10+ consumer experience experiments to measure the effectiveness of current sales channels.
- Mapped consumer pain points on MS Visio flow to provide process visibility for 7 cross functional teams.

Open Learning Exchange Software Engineer

May 2019 – Aug 2019 (Cambridge, MA)

- Implemented features using JavaScript, TypeScript, Sass, CouchDB, and Angular in an agile environment.
- Collaborated with the technical lead to plan and prioritize tickets to be done for weekly sprints.
- Developed testing environments using Docker and VirtualBox (Raspberry Pi to simulate Virtual Machines).
- Onboarded new software engineering interns by teaching them work processes and development environments

EDUCATION

Ryerson University

Sep 2019 – April 2024

BCom, Business Management (CGPA: 4.12 / 4.33)

- Major: Global Business Management, Minors: Finance, Psychology
- Involvement: Co-op, Top 200 Student, Tedpack Mentor, Tri-Mentoring Mentor, Ted Rogers Co-op Mentor

SKILLS & INTERESTS

- Skills & Certifications: Project management frameworks (CAPM), Agile/Scrum Methodologies, Salesforce, Jira, Azure, Trello, Notion, Figma, Adobe XD, Tableau, Power BI, Google Looker, Visio, Excel, Git, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React JS, C++, Python, SQL, MongoDB, CouchDB, R
- Interests: Behavioural & cognitive psychology, space exploration, violin, films, web projects, philosophy