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Education

Bachelors of Mechatronics Engineering (Co-op), McMaster University

09/2020 – 04/2025

Hamilton, Ontario

- In level 3 of a 4-year Mechatronics Engineering co-op Program
- Excellent teamwork and leadership abilities developed while working on multiple group projects

Professional Experience

Software Engineering Intern - Network Efficiency Team, TELUS

05/2023 – 04/2024

Toronto, Canada

- Designed and developed a user-friendly RESTful API for a power planning platform using Django Rest Framework, significantly improving efficiency and productivity for over 1000+ users.
- Developed comprehensive API test cases using JSON and Postman to ensure reliability and functionality.
- Strategically optimized the MySQL database infrastructure to facilitate streamlined data management, reducing planning time and annual request volume.
- Enhanced Python code across Telus-managed sites, leading to improvements in critical infrastructure management, ensuring uninterrupted services for Telus customers.
- Collaborated on an AI model aimed at strengthening emergency response capabilities, hence enhancing resilience and readiness for unforeseen events within central office environments.

Automation Control Engineering Intern, Control Engineering Inc.

05/2022 – 08/2022

California, USA

- Engineered intuitive HMI screens, enhancing user experience and navigation, aligning with optimization goals.
- Utilized Ignition SCADA software and Connected Components Workbench to streamline automation processes, fostering efficiency and productivity.
- Played a pivotal role in successfully executing an Air Knife device installation project in an amazon facility, ensuring precise installation and functionality of PLC programs and cameras.
- Acquired valuable insights into the company's sales and marketing strategies, contributing to informed decision-making and a deeper understanding of the business cycle.

STELCO - Experience Venture Student, McMaster - STELCO

10/2021

- Collaborated with a diverse team of students to develop an innovative navigation solution for a STELCO facility.
- Improved guest navigation and facility efficiency, positively impacting visitor experience and operational workflows.

Extracurricular

Engineers Without Borders Canada, Community Distribution Team member

06/2021 – present

Ontario Central

- Facilitated seamless communication between university and professional chapters in Central Ontario within EWB Canada's community distribution team.
- Fostered collaboration and knowledge exchange among engineers from diverse backgrounds.
- Contributed to advancing the organization's goal of leveraging engineering for positive social change.

Mcmaster Formula Electric, <i>Embedded Software Sub-Team</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed and implemented communication protocols and conducted comprehensive CAN testing for an electric vehicle. 	10/2021 – 06/2023
Engineers of Tomorrow, <i>Future City Experience Volunteer</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mentored a seventh-grade class through interactive virtual meetings, providing guidance and support as they tackled various engineering challenges. 	01/2020 – 05/2020
Battery Workforce Challenge, <i>McMaster Software (Algorithms) Team Member</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contributed to the design, testing, and integration of advanced battery packs for a competitive environment, driving innovation in battery technology. Gained critical project management, teamwork, and problem-solving skills through hands-on experience. 	11/2023 – present Hamilton, Canada

Skills

Software

Python, C, C++, Bash, Python Django Rest Framework, MySQL, SQL, Git, MATLAB Simulink, Embedded Systems, Autodesk Inventor, AI model development, Ignition SCADA, Verilog

Testing Equipment

Oscilloscopes, Multimeters, Function Generators [WHMIS Certified]

Soft Skills

Teamwork, Problem-Solving, Project Management, Community Engagement, Oral and Written Communication Skills

Projects

Pacemaker with GUI

- Collaboratively researched, developed, and tested a real-time safety-critical system.
- Created a pacemaker with a functional device control module using MATLAB Simulink and Visual Basic.
- Implemented features including user support, serial communication, and real-time plotting of pacemaker data to ensure robust performance and safety compliance.

ASIP Stepper Motor Controller and SDRAM Controller

- Designed an Application-Specific Instruction Set Processor (ASIP) using Verilog on an Intel Cyclone V FPGA.
- Incorporated a 14-module data path and control Finite State Machine (FSM) to regulate a stepper motor.
- Implemented a motor driver interface circuit with an SN754410 Half-H Driver chip.
- Utilized Quartus Prime for simulation and testing of the ASIP and its modules.
- Developed assembly test programs to ensure functionality and performance.

Digital Circuit Design Project

- Created a digital circuit to display my student number repeatedly on a seven-segment display.
- Constructed sequential logic using logic gate chips and conducted debugging using an oscilloscope to ensure proper functionality and timing accuracy.

Community Challenge Case Study

- Finalist in the UWaterloo XChange Event Community Challenge hosted by Engineers Without Borders, Canada.
- Advocated for proactive strategies in agricultural systems.
- Collaborated within a team to address limitations of reactive methodologies in tackling climate change damages.
- Presented a strategic vision - aligned with the SDGs - emphasizing the transformation of agricultural practices towards preventative approaches.
- Demonstrated skills in strategic planning, advocacy, and alignment with adaptive solutions critical for mitigating climate change impacts on agriculture.