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Education

University of British Columbia, Sauder School of Business

Bachelor of Commerce (Hons.) Combined Major in Business and Computer Science

Vancouver, BC

May 2023

- 2020 Dean's Honor List, 2021 Dean's Honor List

Experience

Scotiabank

Toronto, ON

Software Engineer - Global Foreign Exchange Technology Development

June 2023 – Present

- Partaking in all phases of the software delivery life-cycle to deliver high-demand services for the ForEx business and the greater Capital Markets division.
- Implementing solutions for 2 applications by analyzing and identifying issues within the relevant 10+ micro-services; Utilizing Angular + Typescript for frontend and Java + SQL for backend.
- Actively participating in stand-ups and code reviews to ensure prompt delivery, and high code quality and coverage.
- Exercising strong communications skills by conveying technical concepts and solutions to both technical and non-technical stakeholders, fostering effective collaboration and efficient throughput of work.

Project Manager - AML Risk

Jan 2023 – June 2023

- Lead weekly status-updates for the program, updated several dashboards with forecasting on finances and scheduling on Clarity PPM for senior management.
- Prepared 2 projects for deployment by initiating and completing necessary operational readiness procedures.
- Communicated with external contractors and regulatory bodies (Government of Canada - FINTRAC) regarding the requirements of the projects.
- Utilized both Waterfall and Agile methodologies to facilitate project planning and completion.

Full Stack Developer - Global Banking Technology

Jun 2022 – Jan 2023

- Developing web apps used by 1000+ bankers to forecast savings needs and recommend financial products.
- Sped-up the risk-factor API endpoint by 50% by partitioning data tables into files based on optimal columns.
- Created and designed a responsive JS React UI for bank clients to enter information and view projected savings.
- Worked in an Agile team of 3 LATAM developers: collaborated on architectural decisions, code reviews, and stand ups/presentations in both English and Spanish.

UBC Center for Student Involvement

Vancouver, BC

Senior Collegia Advisor

Aug 2021 – Apr 2022

- Managed a space/resource for over 200 first year commuter students; Provided students with resources to navigate university, academic help, and peer guidance.
- Lead a team of 7 student advisors; Facilitated effective collaboration among the team for a successful year.
- Headed scheduling, hosted team meetings, and lead 1-1s with team members to ensure weekly goals were met.
- Collaborated with UBC administration to execute a highly successful orientation week, as a Senior Orientation Leader, fostering a welcoming environment for incoming students and contributing to a positive campus experience.

Scotia Wealth Management

Winnipeg, MB

Trust Associate

May 2021 - Aug 2021

- Managed 5+ trusts and estates; processed payments, prepared legal documents, prepared case files.
- Acted as a liaison for the bank with various clients and stakeholders regarding the trust administration process.
- Automated processes regarding client information for the estate and trust consultancy through excel macros and VBAs to support future endeavours.
- Attended and participated in biweekly team meetings regarding trust proceedings and case files.

UBC Sauder School of Business

Vancouver, BC

Teaching Assistant (COMM 420 & COMM 395)

Sep 2020 – Apr 2021

- Assisted professor by facilitating in class participation, answering student questions, and grading assignments.
- Hosted weekly office hours to provide support for assignments, feedback on exams, and general student inquiries.
- Graded homework of over 200 students, alongside group work, and 2 full-length exams; Provided clear and constructive grading and feedback to help students prepare for future assignments.

- Ensured quick turnover time in all deliverables, facilitating a conducive learning environment and promoting timely academic progress.

Jones Lang LaSalle Asia Pacific

Property Technology Intern

Hong Kong

Aug 2020 – Oct 2020

- Researched and developed 3 reports regarding the latest technology to be utilized within the leasing transaction process.
- Created and presented 5+ comprehensive slide decks regarding competitors within the PropTech industry.
- Shadowed and engaged with the broader team to better understand the property industry in Hong Kong.

Extra-curricular and Volunteer Experience

Sauder LIFT; Coordinator and Volunteer Teacher

Sep 2020 - Apr 2022

- Collaborated with UBC Sauder peers to plan, organize, and produce instructive content for the program, empowering budding entrepreneurs in Kenya and Ghana with practical insights into fundamental business principles.
- Planned and filmed basic business educational materials, covering essential topics like Value Proposition, SWOT Analysis, and Business Model Canvas.
- Functioned as a hands-on mentor to a Ghana-based student; Met weekly to assist her in the preparation for a micro-loan pitch competition.

JDC West 2021; 1st Place Debate

Jan 2021

- Led as the first speaker in a series of six debates within a Worlds style competition, showcasing adeptness in articulating perspectives on diverse topics, including Canadian policies, business strategies, and economic ideologies.

Hack Asia; Building A Better World Challenge (\$20,000HKD) Winner

Jul 2020

- Won a category in the Hackathon by conceptualizing and presenting an innovative Proof of Concept for an app designed to streamline building management processes. The solution demonstrated proficiency in scheduling, coordinating, and executing tasks, showcasing a proactive approach to addressing operational challenges.

UBC Sustainability; Sustainability Ambassador

Sep 2019 - June 2023

- Participated in campus events to boost student engagement in sustainability initiatives, fostering a dynamic and environmentally conscious community.
- Played a key role in developing and delivering impactful presentations on UBC's sustainability initiatives to a broad audience, effectively raising awareness and promoting a culture of environmental responsibility, by means of conferences and online events.

Young Women in Business; VP Philanthropy and First Year Coordinator

Sep 2018 - Jan 2020

- Served in the role of VP Philanthropy; Orchestrated impactful group volunteer activities, including local community cleanups along side organizations such as Sauder Gives Back.
- Spearheaded the organization and hosting of a case competition, featuring a prominent local sustainable brand, "Mala The Brand." Garnered participation from over 15 teams and 40 students.

UBC Zero Waste Squad; Zero Waste Volunteer

Sep 2018 - May 2019

- Volunteered in waste management in UBC's various events to ensure adherence to UBC's unique waste management protocol, while advocating the importance of sustainability.
- Collaborated with diverse teams to execute waste sorting initiatives at events, fostering a sense of community and shared responsibility.

Skills

Programming Languages: Java, Javascript (React), Typescript (Angular), Python (NumPy), C, C++, R, SQL, PHP, HTML, CSS

Tools: Microsoft Suite, Atlassian Suite, PowerBI, Notion, Figma, Git

Languages: *Native:* English, *Working Proficient:* Mandarin, *Conversational:* Cantonese, Italian

Interests and Hobbies

A long time dancer, half-marathon runner, mass-transit enthusiast, and novice video-game player.