# SAM CANTOR

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#### **EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Applied Science, Queen's University, Kingston, ON | September 2017- Present

- Specialization in Computer Engineering, intended graduation May 2021
- Completed courses in Data Structures, Algorithms, Operating Systems, Software Development
- Technical skills in cloud computing, machine learning and software development using Python, JavaScript, C/C++, Java
- Recipient: Queen's Excellence Scholarship (\$2000) for an entering average of 90+

#### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Cloud Computing & ML Intern, Distributed Compute Labs, Kingston, ON | May 2019 – September 2019

- Worked on core development for the Distributed Compute Platform, with a specialization in machine learning
- Designed and implemented a control framework for agents in a global distributed network
- Developed methods to accelerate Deep Learning using asynchronous distributed computing

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE**

#### QMIND - Queen's AI Hub, Kingston, ON

R&D Project Manager | April 2019-Present

- Managing the robotics and autonomous vehicles team in the Division of AI Research at QMIND
- Exploring the use of reinforcement learning, recurrent neural networks, and other deep learning models to assist in autonomous driving
- Utilizing Microsoft Azure, GitHub, and TensorFlow to create a complex and scalable solution that can be developed in an agile environment

Design Team Member | September 2018-April 2019

- Developed a program capable of generating original music based off an image
- Implemented Deep Learning using an LSTM neural network, trained the model using data from the Spotify API
- Gained experience with digital signal processing and machine learning

Software Development Team Lead, Engineering Society of Queen's University, Kingston, ON | September 2018-April 2019

- · Led a team in developing a 'Smart' Calendar that can import your school calendar and suggest times to add new events
- Practiced and experienced in team/project management, Java programming using Android Studio and GitHub

## **PROJECTS**

Fake News Detection using Artificial Intelligence, Leaders Prize Competition | June 2019 – November 2019

- Collaborated with four other Queen's students to develop an artificial intelligence algorithm to rate news claims as true, partly true or false, and provide evidence to support the rating, without human intervention
- Explored the use of Deep Learning, Gradient Boosted Decision Trees and Ensemble Methods for detecting features such as sentiment analysis and credibility

QHacks Competition, Hackathon | February 2019

- Developed a program that used machine learning to recommend Spotify songs based on the user's current mood
- Gained experience with project management, web design, Spotify's API, and deep learning using LSTM networks

# **SOFTWARE SKILLS**

**Languages:** Python, JavaScript, C/C++, Java, Assembly

Software: Machine learning (TensorFlow, Keras, PyTorch), agile development (GitHub, Bitbucket, Jira, Node.js), cloud

computing (Microsoft Azure, Distributed Compute Labs)

### **INTERESTS**

• Accomplished pianist with Grade 10 Piano from the Royal Conservatory of Music (RCM), experience performing with notable artists and trained in audio production