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Education

University of Waterloo

Waterloo

Bachelor of Software Engineering, Honors

Sept. 2019 - Apr. 2023

- Cumulative Average: 93%, 4x Dean's Honors List

Skills

Languages JavaScript/TypeScript, Python, C, C++, Java, Scala, SQL, PHP, Ruby

Technologies & Tools React, Redux, Node.js, Express, GraphQL, Laravel, Rails, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Tensorflow, Kubernetes, Terraform, AWS, Firebase, Azure, Heroku, Docker, Git, Bash

Experience

ApplyBoard

Waterloo

Software Engineer Intern Sept. 2021 – Present

Building AuthN/AuthZ systems and integrating monitoring tools using Ruby, Terraform, and Kubernetes

- Created Node.js auth service implementing SCIM 2.0 between Okta and Rails server managing **250k+ users**
- Integrated New Relic monitoring with common Ruby and Node.js logging libraries serving 40M logs/day

LCBO|next Waterloo

Full Stack Engineer Intern

Jan. 2021 - May 2021

- Added features to price tag generator app in React and Ionic Angular saving \$50,000 in costs/year
- Developed microservice backends using Node.js and TypeScript exposing REST APIs consumed by 6 clients
- Reduced load times by 80% on an application used by 100+ users through optimizing SQL queries
- Created CI/CD pipelines to build and deploy previews with 99% uptime on Azure AKS and App Services

Condos.ca Toronto

Full Stack Developer Intern

May. 2020 - Sept. 2020

- Implemented end-to-end lead prediction model using Tensorflow Boosted Trees with AWS SageMaker, improving accuracy of realtor-to-client matching algorithm by 30%
- Optimized load times of three websites by **15%** using React code splitting and server-side rendering
- Developed various data scraping features for geographic information with PHP Laravel/MySQL backend

Projects

UW Blueprint

Waterloo

Technical Lead

Sept. 2021 – Present

- Leading and mentoring a team of 8 developers, building a no-code educational content editor for HeadsUpGuys, a men's mental health non-profit organization serving 10,000+ users/month
- Implemented static site generation for end users supported by serverless functions in Next.js

Software Developer

Sept. 2020 - Sept. 2021

- Built a platform for tracking fundraising campaigns for Raising the Roof using React with Redux
- Created GraphQL API using Express, Sequelize, and Apollo to track purchases on online storefronts

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Collaborative code editor and whiteboard

itsohana.com

- Managed rooms using Node.js Express backend with MongoDB supporting 100+ concurrent users
- Synchronized whiteboard across multiple clients using Socket.io to display on React frontend