

# Tala Buwadi

## Computer Science Honours Student

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## Professional Experience

### Digital Media Designer @ Western University

May 2020 - Present // London, Canada

- ▷ Designing and creating digital media content for OWL, the online learning portal used by all Western students and faculty.

### Payroll Systems Student @ Thames Valley District School Board

May 2019 - Aug 2019 // London, Canada

- ▷ Increased productivity by 480% by automating data analysis tasks using VBA code
- ▷ Decreased filing times by 88% by automating naming, filing, and sorting of documents using Laserfiche workflows
- ▷ Enhanced repository organization by creating workflows to sort and organize pre-existing and new documents
- ▷ Created highly detailed documentation for all the processes I had implemented outlining their use, management, and maintenance

### Technology Services Consultant @ Staples

June 2019 - Oct 2019 // London, Canada

- ▷ Assisted customers with technology related questions, troubleshooted problems, and walked them through the solutions
- ▷ Consistently sold technology products and extended warranties
- ▷ Set up laptops and computers for servicing by remote technicians

## Technical Projects

### MoneyTrak | MongoDB, ExpressJS, ReactJS, NodeJS, Mongoose

- ▷ A full stack CRUD application that allows users to track spending and better control their finances.

### Design Pattern Repo. | HTML, CSS, Bootstrap

- ▷ A website that utilizes bootstrap cards and modals to neatly display 12 software design patterns, their code implementations, and their UML diagrams.

### Tic Tac Toe | Java

- ▷ A GUI tic-tac-toe game that implements an ordered dictionary using a binary search tree, and makes it virtually impossible to win against the computer.

### Belle Boutique | HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Bootstrap, Scrollfire

- ▷ A clothing store prototype designed and developed by me with animations, form validation, and parallax effects.

### What's for Dinner? | HTML, CSS, PHP

- ▷ A simple site that takes dinner requests as input and sends them to my mom via text message.

### talabuwadi.com | HTML, CSS, JavaScript

- ▷ A dynamic, responsive website that showcases my professional portfolio, as well as contains links to my project's live demos and code repos.

## Professional Development

### Web Programming with Python and JavaScript | HarvardX (In Progress)

### Mobile App Development with React Native | HarvardX (In Progress)

## Skills

### Programming Languages

HTML, CSS/Sass, JavaScript (ES6), TypeScript, GraphQL, Python, Java

### Libraries & Frameworks

jQuery, React, Gatsby, Scrollfire, Node.js, Express, Bootstrap

### Tools & Platforms

Git, Git Bash, Heroku, Laserfiche

### Design

Sketch, Figma, Affinity Photo, Photoshop

## Education

### Western University

2018 - 2022 // London, Canada  
Honours Specialization in Computer Science  
with a Minor in Software Engineering

### Relevant Courses

Data Structures and Algorithms  
Website Development  
Intro to Software Engineering  
Discrete Structures for Computing  
Computer Organization & Architecture

## Awards

### Continuing Admissions Scholarship

Western University // 2018, 2019  
\$10,000 scholarship for academic merit.

### Deans List

Western University // 2018, 2019  
Awarded for achieving an 80%+ cumulative average.

### Laurene Paterson Scholarship

Western University // 2019  
\$2000 scholarship for achieving an A average in first year.

## Hackathons

2018, 2019 - Hack Western  
2019, 2020 - SheHacks

## Spoken Languages

English - Fluent  
Arabic - Fluent  
French - Conversational

## Interests

Knitting, crochet, crafts, cooking, biking