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### **Skills**

### Writing

Content Strategy, Copywriting, Brand Development, Storytelling, Project Communications, Public Speaking

#### **Software Development**

Java, Python, C, JavaScript, React, Node.js, Ruby, Flutter, HTML, CSS SQL, PHP, Git, Jira

### **Design Tools**

Adobe CC, Sketch, Figma, InVision

### **Awards**

### People's Choice in Human-Computer Interaction

Queen's Creative Computing Showcase (Apr. 2018)

**Volutime**. App that prevents hearing damage by optimizing volume and listening time

#### Finalist, Top 4

Hack the 6ix (Aug. 2017)

MyndJournal. Web app that displays mental health analytics, utilizing IBM Watson's NLU API

## **Achievements**

### Silver Medalist

Canada East Short Track Speed Skating Championships

#### **Guinness World Record**

Largest Rubik's Cube Mosaic, CubeWorks Studios

#### **Gameshow Winner**

Splatalot, MarbleMedia

### **Experience**

**Product Manager** 

Lexir

Jul. 2020 - Present Paris, France (Remote)

- · Working with an European startup, building an online shop for premium craft wine & spirits
- Managing a team of developers and designers working remotely across Europe
- Collaborating with the marketing and sales teams to develop a strong brand strategy

Product Manager

Sept. 2018 - Apr. 2019

Kingston, ON

**Pedal Patrol** 

• Led a cross-functional team, designing and developing a mobile app that reunites cyclists with their stolen bikes

- Managed the team through the full product lifecycle from ideation to delivery
- · Worked actively with the client, Frontenac Cycle, through the process to align the product with their vision
- · Pedal Patrol is now in the process of being aquired by a Vancouver-based organization

Content Strategist Apr. 2018 – Mar. 2019

QHacks 2019 (Hackathon at Queen's University)

Kingston, ON

- · Developed and implemented marketing strategies for the largest event on campus after orientation week
- · Led the voice and tone of the brand, writing and editing content for our website, dashboard, handbooks and ads
- · Wrote feature articles on Medium and created a podcast profiling Queen's graduates in the tech industry
- · Helped attract over 500 participants and over \$100k from major sponsors including Snapchat, Deloitte, and Y-Combinator

### **Developer & Computer Science Research Associate**

May 2018 - Dec. 2018

Toronto, ON

**Orange Gate Consulting** 

- Researched and developed applications for consumer robots with a focus on voice-interaction
- Created and demonstrated prototypes at local events and to C-suite client executives in financial services and the auto industry
- · Designed wireframes, user flows, and scripts based on leading practices in visual and conversational UX
- Wrote documentation for user manuals, research presentations, and technical step-by-step guides

### **Product Ambassador, Growth**

Grabb Mobile (Acquired by Foodora)

Sept. 2016 - Apr. 2017

Kingston, ON

- Promoted a food-ordering application expanding into Kingston, Ontario
- · Increased adoption and customer engagement through campus events, student groups, and social media
- Met with restaurant owners to discuss online ordering solutions for their locations

### **Recent Projects**

### **Brand Consulting**

Jun. 2020 - Jul. 2020

- · Hired by a local blog to help rebrand their website and create marketing material to attract new readers
- Helped double their weekly newsletter signup rate

### **Song Analysis**

Oct. 2019 - May 2020

- A web app that integrates with Spotify to display additional info about the song you're currently playing
- Tools: React, Spotify API, SCSS

#### **Expense Tracker**

Oct. 2019 - Jan. 2020

- $\bullet\,$  A web app that allows users to add, update, and visualize their expenses
- · Tools: React, Redux, Firebase

### **Education**

### **Bachelor of Computing, Honours, Software Design**

Queen's University, School of Computing

TA, Artificial Intelligence (CISC 325), Winter 2019

### **Certificate in Business**

Queen's University, Smith School of Business

2020

2019

# Volunteering

Assistant Coach • Newmarket Jets Short Track Speed Skating Club

Sept. 2013 - Mar. 2020

Graphic Designer • Queen's Software Developer's Club

May 2018 - Apr. 2019

Marketing Commissoner • Computing Students' Association

May 2016 - Apr. 2017

Marketing Assistant • Toronto Short Track World Cup

May 2015 - Nov. 2015