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education

m. sc., computer science

York University, Toronto, Ontario, 2016 - Present Expected graduation date: April 2018 Research interests: computer vision and machine learning Supervisors: Konstantinos G. Derpanis, Marcus A. Brubaker

honours b. sc., computer science (co-op) with minor in mathematics Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2011 - 2016

CGPA: 4.24 / 4.33

work experience

research assistant (nserc usra)

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, May 2016 - August 2016 Researched computer vision applications using machine learning under the supervision of Dr. Kosta Derpanis.

software developer

D2L, Toronto, Ontario, January 2015 - August 2015

Helped design and develop solutions for enhancing the learning experience in the corporate workspace.

software developer

RL Solutions, Toronto, Ontario, May 2014 - August 2014

Responsible for designing and developing product administration tools; supported the Product Development team with troubleshooting. Developed a migration tool supporting large-scaled data migration for clients upgrading from the legacy product to the latest version.

research assistant

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, January 2014 - April 2014

Researched under Dr. Alireza Sadeghian and collaborated with St. Michael's Hospital in ideating surgeryassistance software solutions with Google Glass and Microsoft Kinect.

software developer

Desire2Learn Inc., Toronto, Ontario, May 2014 - August 2014

Developed a comment and rating system for the Integration & Extensibility team's application store. Helped maintain and develop an online application store for clients to easily locate and install extensions to their Learning Management Systems.



volunteer experience

director of science

Ryerson Students' Union, Toronto, Ontario, May 2015 - May 2016

The Board of Directors is the representative body for all full-time undergraduate and all graduate students at Ryerson University. Ensure that the concerns of students from individual faculties and programs are well

vice-president careers & outreach

Ryerson Computer Science Course Union, Toronto, Ontario, May 2015 - May 2016

Consult with the Co-op Program Director on issues identified by members with the co-op program. Act as a liaison between the Office of Co-operative Education, the Career Centre, the Office of Science Outreach and Enrichment and the organization. Help plan and organize career oriented events in consultation with the Vice President Operations and Events.

tutor

Pointers Homework Help Club, Toronto, Ontario, September 2014 - December 2014 Led the Ryerson Computer Science Course Union's "Pointers" Homework Help Club for 1st and 2nd Year Computer Science students looking for help in their Math and/or Computer Science courses.

4th year representative

Ryerson Computer Science Course Union, Toronto, Ontario, May 2014 - January 2015

Acted as a liaison and representative between the fourth-year students and the faculty. Responsible for effectively communicating the wishes and concerns of the students to the faculty.

awards & achievements

york graduate scholarship

York University, Toronto, Ontario, Sept 2016, 6000 CAD

Awarded to top-ranked applicants in the first year of study based on their academic merit.

nserc undergraduate student research award

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, May 2016 - August 2016, 11295 CAD

sony canada charitable foundation scholarship

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2014 - 2015, 1500 CAD
Presented to a student currently enrolled in fourth year of the Computer Science program on a full-time basis with a clear academic standing; must have the highest CGPA at the end of the third year.

sudharakan aerath memorial award

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2013 - 2014, 200 CAD

Presented to a student currently enrolled full-time in Computer Science and who has the highest overall standing in Mathematics in the first four semesters.



awards & achievements (cont.)

department of computer science award Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2013 - 2014

Presented to the three students with the strongest academic performance in second year.

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2013 - 2014
For best overall performance in CPS 213 Computer Organization I and CPS 310 Computer Organization II.

james h. rattray memorial award

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2012 - 2013, 200 CAD Awarded for academic excellence in first year.

faculty of science dean's list

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2012 - 2016 Maintained a GPA above 3.5 during the academic year.

queen elizabeth II aiming for the top scholarship

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2011 - 2014, 14000 CAD Awarded for outstanding academic achievement upon secondary school graduation.

top entrance scholarship Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2011 - 2014, 16000 CAD Awarded for entering Ryerson University with an average above 95%.

ryerson scholar

Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, 2011 - 2012 Recognition for entering Ryerson University as an Ontario Scholar.

broadcast interviews

the benefits of co-op and paid internship opportunities

UniversityWorks, Universities Canada, August 1, 2015

"Ready, willing and able to work thanks to co-op experience, Ryerson University student Matthew Tesfaldet says a co-op placement as a software designer will put him ahead of the curve when it comes time to find a job." - http://www.universityworks.ca/en/#video/matthew-tesfaldet