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EDUCATION

Candidate for Computer Engineering, University of Waterloo

2022 - PRESENT

Cumulative GPA: 3.9 / 4.0

Nortel Networks Undergraduate Scholarship (3500\$), University of Waterloo

SKILLS

Languages Python, Javascript, C++, HTML/CSS, SQL

Technologies Git, Figma, PostgreSQL, VS Code, Visual Studio, Blender, RESTful APIs

Frameworks Node.js, React.js, Express.js, Next.js, Three.js

PROJECTS

Hackathon Website (Hack The Ridge)

Node.js, React.js, Next.js, Three.js, Chakra UI, GSAP

- Created website with **Next.js** to advertise personal hackathon attracting hundreds of visitors and **80** registrants.
- Prototyped with **Figma** and created animations based on Bézier interpolation with **GSAP** for seamless transitions.
- Leveraged **React**, incorporating components from **Chakra UI** (custom styled with **Emotion**) for optimized workflow.
- Rendered **Blender** models in real-time to browser using **Three.js** with custom **WebGL** shaders written in **GLSL**.

Personal Portfolio Website

Node.js, React.js, Next.js, Material UI, anime.js

- Created styled **React** components using **Material UI**'s CSS-in-JS utility styled() for ease of CSS maintenance.
- Wrote **CSS** media queries and used **Material UI**'s breakpoints to create a responsive layout for different screen sizes.
- Incorporated state management using **React Hooks** (useEffect) to facilitate dynamic updates to UI upon changes.

Room Designer Discord Bot

Node.js, Express.js, Three.js, PostgreSQL, RESTful APIs

- Developed a bot using **Node.js** in an asynchronous paradigm to enable non-blocking API calls made with **Axios**.
- Built an **Express.js** back-end to real-time render custom **Blender** models using **Three.js** in response to bot requests.
- Constructed a **PostgreSQL** database remotely queried by bot application using **node-postgres** to store BLOBs.

Rhythm Game Beatmap Generator

Python, Pygame, Selenium, Requests, RESTful APIs

- Designed a game tool in **Python** using **OOP**, creating animated GUI with **Pygame** for interactive user experience.
- Fetched user info from API with **Requests** and followed **OAuth 2.0** to authorize users by sending POST requests.
- Integrated **Selenium** and **WebDriver** to automatically download game files by simulating browser interactions.

EXPERIENCE

President of Programming Club

Sep 2021 - Jun 2022

Iroquois Ridge High School

Oakville, Ontario

- Led all club operations and gave frequent **Python** programming lessons to over **100** students, teaching data structures (e.g trees and graphs), recursion and dynamic programming.
- Created an extensive curriculum in **Python** to mentor beginner students on video game design with **Pygame**.

Main Classroom Assistant

Sep 2018 - Sep 2021

Kumon Institute

Oakville, Ontario

- Spearheaded **hundreds** of tutoring sessions with Grade 1 - 12 students teaching arithmetic, algebra and calculus.
- Crafted suitable lesson plans for students while accommodating parent concerns to enhance academic performance.