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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Ann Arbor, MI

Expected: May 2020

B.S. Computer Science, B.S. Honors Mathematics

- GPA: 3.9/4.0 Awarded EECS Scholar (2019) for academic excellence in Computer Science.
- Course Highlights: Distributed Systems, Operating Systems, Computer Security, GPU Programming,
 Data Structures & Algorithms, Probability & Statistics, Honors Linear Algebra

WORK EXPERIENCE

MICROSOFT

Seattle, WA

Software Engineering Intern – MS Teams

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- Frontend engineer of a Slack-like single page web app using frameworks like Angular, React and Node.
- Accelerated message retrieval for users by selectively updating caches based on their geographical region.
- Enhanced focus for site reliability engineers by building a new feature to lock replies to an incident thread, improving user experience for retail customers by locking threads after a promotion has ended.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN - EECS 203 DISCRETE MATH

Ann Arbor, MI

Instructional Assistant

Aug 2018 – Present

- Exam management team lead, in charge of organizing and typesetting exams for over 800 students.
- Taught a discussion section for a class of 30 students for my University's Discrete Math course.
- Worked with professors to identify weaknesses in students' proof writing skills.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, COMPUTER AIDED ENGINEERING NETWORK

Ann Arbor, MI

Web Team Student Developer

May 2018 – Jun 2018

- Maintained the frontend of the University's ParkIT web app using Python (Flask) and JavaScript.
- Streamlined new hiring processes by authoring a Python3 tutorial that teaches OOP concepts.

SINGAPORE ARMED FORCES (SERGEANT)

Singapore

3rd Sergeant - Transportation Command HQ

Feb 2015 – Feb 2017

- Led a unit of 50+ soldiers on transportation missions, including replenishments of mission critical supplies, ensuring mission readiness through training of personnel for the job.
- Maintained morale and discipline by upholding leadership standards and punishing defaulters.

COMPUTER SCIENCE SIDE PROJECTS

FACEBOOK FOR MICROSOFT TEAMS

(2019)

- Built an aggregated newsfeed that pulls together all a user's recent likes, at-mentions and comments
- Sped up user reply time 200% by eliminating the need to switch channels between replies.
- Facilitated quick dives into a channel by dynamically updating the webpage in Angular.
- Optimized speed by synchronizing reply chain objects across the server, local storage, and memory cache.

INSTAGRAM POST AUTO-SCHEDULER

(2018)

- Programmed a Python bot that schedules your Instagram posts, and automates liking and following.
- Created a full-stack web app using Python Flask and Bootstrap to allow users to schedule posts.
- Made users' schedules persistent by using SQLite as a lightweight backend database.

POLYBAR - OPEN SOURCE CONTRIBUTOR

(2018)

• Patched a multithreaded race condition where modules were modifying the same environment variable, by creating a mutex in the global module controller to ensure synchronization across threads.

Languages Spoken & Written English and Chinese, Basic French

CS Skills Expert: C++, Python, Typescript Worked with: JavaScript, C#, Bash, Rust, F#

Frameworks AngularJS, React, Node, Electron, Git, .NET Core, CMake, Flask, NumPy **For Fun** Ballroom Dancing, Raspberry Pi, Learning functional programming