WALTER MIREKU

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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

May 2020 GPA: 3.70/4.00 Bachelor of Arts in Economics

Courses Taken: Discrete Structures, Data Structures, User Interface, Machine Learning

EXPERIENCE

WORK

Nielsen, Analytics Intern

Summer 2019

- Utilized advanced statistical modeling software to manage complex data projects, prepare analyses and provide insights to consultants and clients
- Used Unix, SQL, and Excel to extract data and recognize patterns regarding consumer behavior through tracking ad campaigns

Fall 2016 - Summer 2018 YMCA, Intern

Used SQL to query and analyze data to improve marketing strategies and generate insight on how to effectively attract more participants for future social justice campus events

PROJECTS Urbana-Champaign, IL September 2020

Blog, MongoDB, Express, React, Redux, Node.js, JWT Authentication

- Built financial blog which seeks to provide knowledge to recent graduates, equipped with user authentication that allows users to interact with interface
- Implemented several REST API's that serves financial news and famous quotes to interface

Vanity Leaders, MongoDB, Express, React, Node.js

May 2020

- Full-stack SPA built for Vanity Leaders, an organization looking to attract musical talent, host events and grow clientele
- Implemented REST API that served user data into MongoDB database and used TCP/IP protocols to set up email contact service

IdeaOcean, UI/UX, Vue.js

December 2019

Designed UI, where users can host and share their own ideas, from conducting interviews with potential users using user research and low/high-fidelity prototypes

Image Recognition, Java

April 2019

Utilized Microsoft Azure API to design an Android mobile application that presents information about pictures taken through or uploaded within emulator

ENTREPRENEURIAL

Chicago, IL

Vanity Leaders, Co-Founder

Rising event planning and marketing organization focused on providing network and attracting attention to unknown talented music artists

LEADERSHIP & ACTIVITIES

Extracurricular, Illinois Founders (Entrepreneurs), Microgrants Team

Extracurricular, National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE)

Tutor, Computer Science

Assist students in Intro to Computer Science (Java) and Data Structure & Algorithms (C++) course by helping them understand rigorous course material

SKILLS

Technical Skills: Git, Linux/Unix

- Intermediate: Python, JavaScript, React, HTML5/CSS3, SQL
- Basic: Java, R, Spark