# Yves Alikalfic

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#### Skills

Programming Languages: JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, Java, C, MATLAB, SQL

Frameworks: React, React Native, Next.js, Expo, TailwindCSS, Express.js, Flask, Django, Firebase, Bootstrap

Technologies: Node.js, REST APIs, GraphQL, HTML/CSS, MongoDB, Pandas, NumPy, Selenium, Git, Xcode, scikit-learn

**DevOps**: Bash, GitHub Actions, Jenkins, Azure

# **Experience**

# Software Engineer, Cordax - Toronto, ON

Aug 2025 - Present

- Built responsive pages with Next.js, React, and TailwindCSS, cutting load times 35% and doubling demo sign-ups
- Developed modular UI with TypeScript, adding notifications, and real-time configuration features for 15+ pilot users
- Integrated Three.js to deliver interactive 3D HVAC, plumbing, and electrical models directly within the browser

## Quality Assurance Automation Engineer, Rakuten Kobo – Toronto, ON

Sep 2024 - Aug 2025

- Used TypeScript and Appium to boost automated test coverage by 50% on iOS/Android apps, developing 300+ tests
- Built and integrated 3 CI/CD pipelines in GitHub Actions, reducing manual regression testing time by 40%
- Created a TypeScript tool powered by Claude AI to generate and deliver real-time automation coverage reports

# Cloud Technical Analyst, CIBC - Toronto, ON

May 2024 - Aug 2024

- Ranked in top 10% of interns and selected for CIBC Spark program to present legacy system solutions to executives
- Built lightweight HTML/CSS/JavaScript pages for restricted-site access, optimized to consistently load in under 500 ms
- Improved usability and security of internal web portals by collaborating with vendors, supporting 200+ remote sites

#### **Software Developer**, Pantree – Kingston, ON

Sep 2023 - Apr 2024

- Built a React Typescript Chrome extension with reusable components, offline storage, and responsive design for 30+ users
- Improved reliability by adding Jest unit tests and automating extension builds and deployments through CI/CD pipelines
- Boosted engagement with Twilio SMS notifications and integrated in-extension analytics, raising user retention by 20%

# **Projects**

## AI Medical Training Simulation Agent | React, Python, Cohere AI, pyttsx3

github.com/yves-a/annie-chat-bot

- Engineered a medical simulation chatbot, enhancing doctor-patient interactions by leveraging Cohere AI to provide accurate responses to doctor inquiries, and responding through text-to-speech using pyttsx3
- Developed a vitals monitoring system by integrating lab sensors with the chatbot via Bluetooth API, enabling real-time vitals tracking for doctors, and improving medical student's response time by 40% in lab trials

## **Digital Content Creation Extension** | React, JavaScript

github.com/yves-a/giggle-gear

- Developed a React-based Adobe Express extension, winning 'Most Creative Add-on' at QHacks 2024, by offering trendy
  images for dynamic content creation, aimed at corporate clients to enhance their social media presence
- Improved user satisfaction by 90% by converting text prompts to images using Imgflip API, as measured by user surveys

#### Extracurricular

Software Developer, Queen's Technology & Media Association - Kingston, ON

2022 - 2024

- Led a select team of four developers to design and launch Pantree, clinching first place in a prestigious product innovation competition, hosted and judged by local successful entrepreneurs in Kingston
- Enhanced the club's technical capabilities by leading a technical hiring process of over 50 applicants

# **Education**

Queen's University - Bachelor of Computer Science

Expected May 2026

- **GPA**: 4.13/4.3
- Awards: Dean's Honour List (2021, 2022, 2023), Principal's Scholarship (2021, Top 5% of incoming class)