Zaid Yazadi

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Education

Pennsylvania State University

June 2018 – May 2022 State College, PA

Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Computer Engineering

GPA: 3.78 / 4.0

Experience

Capital One

August 2022 - October 2023

Chicago, IL

Associate Software Engineer (Card Tech)

- Led initiative to merge separate AWS-hosted payment authorization gateways into one, slashing team resource costs and maintenance by ~50%
- Integrated OneLake data storage into gateways via Java, extending log storage beyond 30 days
- Resolved a critical race condition impacting partner connections within Python-based AWS Lambdas
- Deployed new partners to secure production gateways, seamlessly doubling transaction bandwidth and increasing workload performance by ~10%
- Collaborated in maintenance, updates, and testing of Payment Authorization gateways for external clients using cloud, CI/CD, DevOps, automation, and testing tools

Capital One June 2021 – August 2021

Software Engineering Intern (Cloud & Productivity)

McLean, VA (Remote)

- Created a quarterly-run AWS Security Group Audit System for Capital One's cloud infrastructure to monitor low-usage resources, aiming to reduce costs and improve resource utilization
- Led development of the system's AWS Lambda Notification Engine, utilizing PostgreSQL and Python to incorporate data analysis and email functionalities
- Presented an initial prototype of the AWS Audit System to management, facilitating the continuation of the cloud maintenance initiative by the full-time team
- Implemented secure coding practices to address OWASP vulnerabilities in cloud-based projects

AirV Labs June 2020 – August 2020 San Jose, CA

Software Engineering Intern

- Conducted manual unit testing and integration testing of Robotic Surgery Simulation Software, leading to a successful client demonstration
- Played a pivotal role in reducing development costs by recommending Nibiru HMD over Oculus Quest 2 after compatibility testing on Unity, enhancing software integration and cost efficiency
- Contributed in drafting a patent application for a VR telecommunication product

IBM June 2020 - November 2020

Federal Sector Early ID Program

San Jose, CA (Remote)

Won a team competition with two mentees, focusing on reducing accreditation fraud and costs in the Federal Accreditation Process using automation and machine learning

Skills & Certifications

- Coding Languages: Java, Python, JavaScript (Node.js), SQL, Rust, C, C++, XML, HTML, Bash
- Technology: Git, Docker, Jenkins, Spring Boot, Maven, Terraform, Linux, Windows, PostgreSQL, REST API, OpenSSL, ServiceNow
- Testing/Monitoring: Splunk, DataDog, New Relic, Artifactory, JUnit Testing, Cucumber, Swagger
- Cloud Services: Amazon Web Services (AWS) Proficient, Microsoft Azure Familiar
- Certifications: Certified Secure Software Engineer (Capital One), AWS Solutions Architect -Associate (In-Progress)