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EDUCATION

University of Toronto

Toronto, Ontario, CA

Honours Bachelor of Science, Double Major in Computer Science, Mathematics

Sep 2023 - Jun 2027

• Courses: Software Design, Systems Programming, Data Structures, Algorithms, Computer Architecture (Intro)

EXPERIENCE

Software Developer

Sep 2025 – Present

saycamel.com

Toronto, Ontario, CA

- Contributed to a **student-led social platform** with **600+ active users** in **beta**, connecting students with 1400+ UofT clubs and 240+ weekly campus events, using **Next.js** (**React**), **Node.js** (**JavaScript**), and **Supabase**
- Led a team of 3 to develop the club dashboard and **collaborated** with cross-functional teams to design and deploy **end-to-end features**, supporting 100+ **prospective clubs** and projected to **increase engagement by 20%**

Software Developer

May 2025 – Present

University of Toronto, Department of Computer Science

Toronto, Ontario, CA

- Engineered and maintained core features of **PythonTA**, a static code analysis tool used in UofT courses to automatically check code style and logic for **35,000+ students** since 2016, leveraging **Python** and **Astroid**
- Optimized performance by reducing import time by 9.98% through analytical problem-solving and refactoring, improving efficiency for 3900+ annual users
- Collaborated in weekly team sprints, presenting technical updates and contributing to feature design decisions

PROJECTS

NorthBlue Network | Next.js, TypeScript, Supabase

www.northblue.network

- Built a **networking platform** connecting UofT builders, creators, and founders, generating **10K+ impressions** in 24 hours and attracting users including **4 VC investors** and notable startup founders
- Established early momentum for the UofT entrepreneurial ecosystem through rapid iteration and user-driven development, achieving strong community engagement and positive feedback

CExpress | C, Shell, Make, Homebrew

karl-michaud.github.io/CExpress/

- Created **CExpress**, a lightweight open-source **HTTP server** / **microservice framework** for **C** that enables rapid prototyping and development of **RESTful APIs** with minimal overhead
- Implemented key features such as **dynamic routing**, **HTTP/1.1 request handling**, and low-level **TCP socket programming**, showcasing expertise in **network programming** with an **optimized memory footprint**

AI Video Generator | C, Python, Shell, FFmpeg, Deepseek API, Whisper

www.youtube.com/watch

- Engineered a fully **autonomous video generation pipeline** in **C**, coordinating script generation, TTS synthesis, subtitle burning, and media merging using **FFmpeg**, **Whisper**, and **DeepSeek API**
- Architected a multi-process pipeline of 5 standalone CLI programs communicating through Unix pipes

Recyclobot – DeltaHacks 11 | Swift, SwiftUI, Python, Firebase, OpenAI API devpost.com/software/recyclobot

- Built an AI-driven waste management system with real-time object detection and sustainability insights
- Delivered a functional iOS app + hardware prototype in 24 hours, ranking in the top 12 overall and top 3 environmental categories among 600+ participants through rapid, iterative development

LEADERSHIP AND INVOLVEMENT

Event Coordinator

Aug 2024 - May 2025

University of Toronto, STEP UofT Student Club

Toronto, Ontario, CA

- Led event planning during the club's founding year, organizing 5 events with 15+ attendees
- Onboarded 25+ new members, driving club growth through strategic communication and collaboration
- Secured 5 UTSL Club Award nominations in our inaugural year by improving event logistics

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Java, C, Python, JavaScript, Swift, HTML, CSS, SQL, Shell, MIPS Assembly, Makefile Frameworks / Libraries: Node.js, Next.js, SwiftUI, Maven, React.js, Pytest, JUnit, Astroid, Spring Boot Developer Tools: Git, GitHub, CI/CD, MySQL, Firebase, Linux, OpenAI API / DeepSeek API, Whisper