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Find Your First Tech Job

A Guide for finding your first tech job

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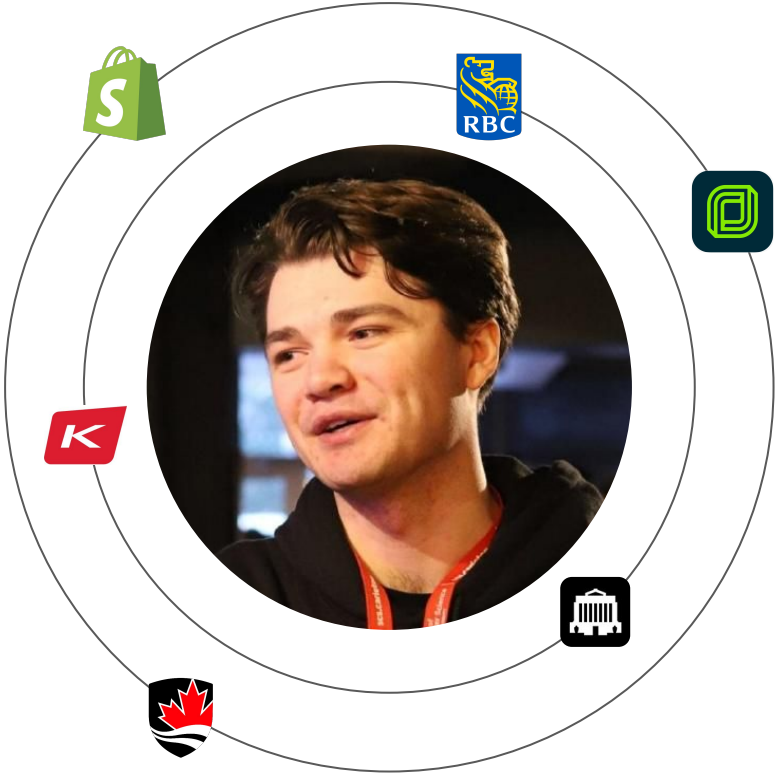
I'm Matthew

- CS @ Carleton, Started 2018
- Government, Startups, Freelance, Big Tech, & More
- 4 Years of Experience Before Graduation



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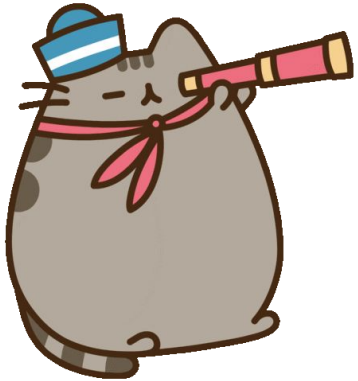

Year	Fall	Winter	Summer	Results
2018 - 2019	5 Courses	5 Courses	0 Courses	10 / 40 Courses 4 Months Experience
2019 - 2020	5 Courses	5 Courses	0 Courses	20 / 40 Courses 16 Months Experience
2020 - 2021	1 Course	2 Courses	2 Courses	25 / 40 Courses 2+ Years Experience
2021 - 2022	3 Courses	2 Courses	2 Courses	33 / 40 Courses 3+ Years Experience
2022 - 2023	2 Courses	1 Course	0 Courses	36 / 40 Courses 4+ Years Experience
2023 - 2024	1 Course	(current)		

Should have graduated here

** Note: Years of experience is a bad metric, what you "actual" worked on is what matters*

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What Is This Presentation?

Everything You Need For Your First Tech Job Search

MAP OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

COMPUTATIONAL COMPLEXITY

DOES P≠NP?

NXN CHESS PSPACE NXNGO

NP COMPLETE
TRAVELLING SALESMAN MAP COLOURING

NP GRAPH ISOMORPHISM

BQP
DISCRETE LOGARITHM FACTORING

P
SORTING A LIST CONNECTIVITY

EFFICIENT FOR A QUANTUM COMPUTER

EFFICIENT FOR A COMPUTER

INFORMATION THEORY

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COMPRESSION

ENTROPY

ERROR CORRECTION

PARITY CHECKING

CODING THEORY

CRYPTOGRAPHY

PUBLIC KEY

ALL THE SECRETS

PRIVATE KEY

THEORETICAL COMPUTER SCIENCE

COMPUTABILITY THEORY

ALAN TURING

INFINITELY LONG TAPE

LAMBDA CALCULUS

TURING MACHINE

STATE REGISTER

HEAD

1: MOVE LEFT
2: MOVE RIGHT
3: FLIP DIGIT

123: STOP

ALGORITHMS

BUBBLESORT(A)
1: GO FROM LEFT TO RIGHT.
2: COMPARE EACH PAIR.
3: IF LEFT ONE HIGHER, SWITCH.
4: DO UNTIL NO MORE SWITCHES.

BUBBLE SORT O(n²)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

MERGE SORT O(n log n)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

ANALYSIS OF ALGORITHMS

ALGORITHMIC COMPLEXITY

LOGIC

ZERO ONE NOT OR AND XOR NAND

COMPUTATIONAL GEOMETRY

GRAPH THEORY

AUTOMATA THEORY

QUANTUM COMPUTATION

AND MORE

PARALLEL PROGRAMMING

JOB 1 JOB 2 JOB 3 JOB 4 MAIN JOB SMALLER JOBS

DATA STRUCTURES

LINKED LIST LIST TREE GRAPH STACK HASHING

FORMAL METHODS

START POSSIBLE STATES ALERT

MONITOR

SOUND

HARDWARE

SSD INPUT CPU RAM POWER CPU MOTHERBOARD

SCHEDULING

PROCESSES SCHEDULER CPU 1 CPU 2 CPU 3 CPU 4 MULTIPROCESSING

COMPUTER ARCHITECTURE

CPU INPUT OUTPUT CENTRAL PROCESSING UNIT CONTROL UNIT ARITHMETIC/ LOGIC UNIT MEMORY UNIT

CPU MULTIPROCESSORS

FPGA
LOGIC BLOCK
INTERCONNECTION
INPUT/OUTPUT
SWITCH BOX
CONNECT BLOCK

COMPUTER ENGINEERING

SOFTWARE AND PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

PYTHON JAVASCRIPT PHP SWIFT PERL SQL JAVA C# C++ C ASSEMBLY

WEB APPS BROWSER APPLICATIONS OPERATING SYSTEM BIOS SILICON

JAVASCRIPT COMPILER C++ COMPILER C COMPILER ASSEMBLY COMPILER MACHINE CODE

COMPILERS

DATA MANAGEMENT

DATABASES SQL DATACENTRES

NETWORKING

CONCURRENT/ DISTRIBUTED/ PARALLEL/ SYSTEMS

PERFORMANCE

COMPUTER ANALYSIS BENCHMARKING

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

FORMAL METHODS UNIT TESTING VERSION CONTROL OBJECT ORIENTED DESIGN

OPERATING SYSTEMS

iOS macOS

OPTIMISATION

FINANCE LEAGUE OF LEGENDS AMAZON WAREHOUSE

BOOLEAN SATISFIABILITY

x_1 OR x_2 OR $\bar{x}_3$ (SAT)
$\bar{x}_1$ OR x_2 OR x_3
$\bar{x}_1$ OR $\bar{x}_2$ OR $\bar{x}_3$
$\bar{x}_1$ OR x_2 OR x_3

SUPER COMPUTING

MACHINE LEARNING

SUPERVISED UNSUPERISED NEURAL NETWORK CAT REINFORCEMENT

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

A.I.

ROBOTICS

COMPUTER GRAPHICS

COMPUTATIONAL SCIENCE

COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS NUMERICAL ANALYSIS BIOINFORMATICS COMPUTATIONAL CHEMISTRY

HACKING

COMPUTER VISION

FIND THE HUMANS

APPLICATIONS

VIRTUAL REALITY

SIMULATION

BIG DATA

NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING

CHATBOTS
-HEY
-HELLO THERE-
-ARE U A ROBOT?
-YES-
-WAIT, I MEAN NO-
-PROVE IT!
-CALCULATING...-
-I MADE YOU CAKE-

SCONES TEA FLOUR BUTTER BIRTHDAY CAKE FOOD BACON CELEBRATION PANCAKE BREAKFAST

TELEPRESCENCE

AUGMENTED REALITY

HUMAN COMPUTER INTERACTION

IMAGE PROCESSING

KNOWLEDGE REPRESENTATION

INTERNET OF THINGS

YOUTUBE DOMAIN OF SCIENCE MAP OF COMPUTER SCIENCE

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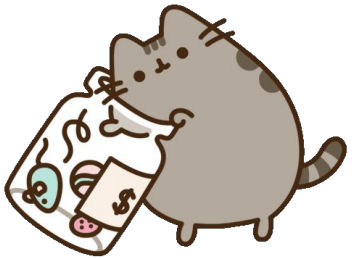

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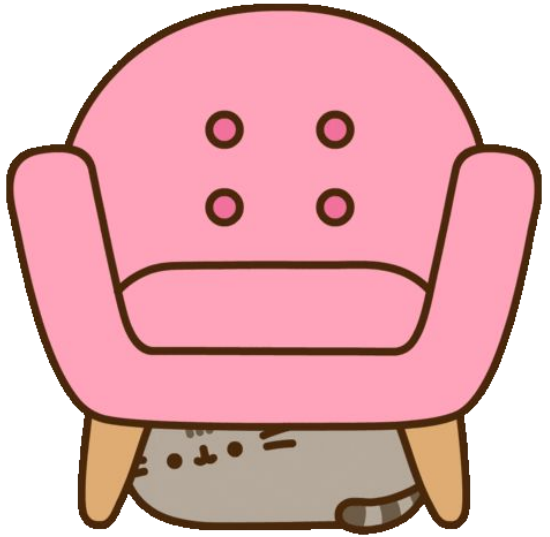
“No one going into university really knows what they’re doing - and that’s ok.”

Ultimately, you’re going to university to some day get a job - but it’s hard to know what the workplace is truly like.

It is your responsibility to do your best to figure out what job will bring you the most fulfillment and happiness.



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“What is an Internship and why do they matter?”

- Gives you a better idea of what you want to do when you graduate
- Exposure to the difference between industry, school, and academia
- Exposure to different skills, domains, and development ecosystems
- You can “test” a workplace before you commit to several years
- Start gaining “years of experience”
- They act as an extended Interview

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Am I really qualified yet to work?

Yes.

Don’t sell yourself short.

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“Ok so … how do I land my first tech job?”

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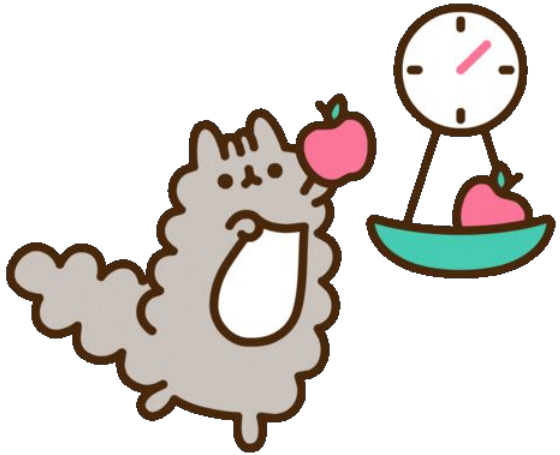
It's All About Funnels

You don't have to do all these things, but the more things you do will increase your chance of finding a job.



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Agenda

- Workplaces
- Reading Postings
- Finding Postings
- Networking
- Resumes
- Interviews

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Workplaces

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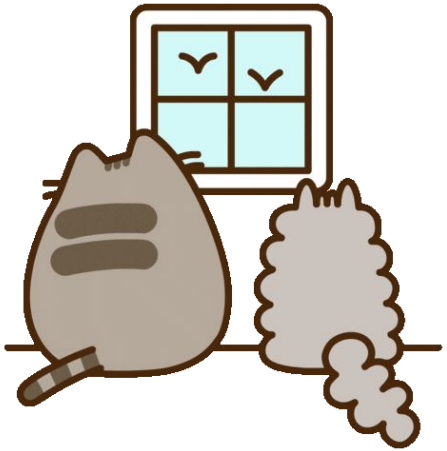
Core Factors Of Judging a Job

- **Organization Level**
  - **Size**
  - **Values**
  - **Mission / Market**
- **Team Level**
  - **The Project**
  - **Structure**
  - **The People**



What you can see from the outside...

What won't know till your first day...

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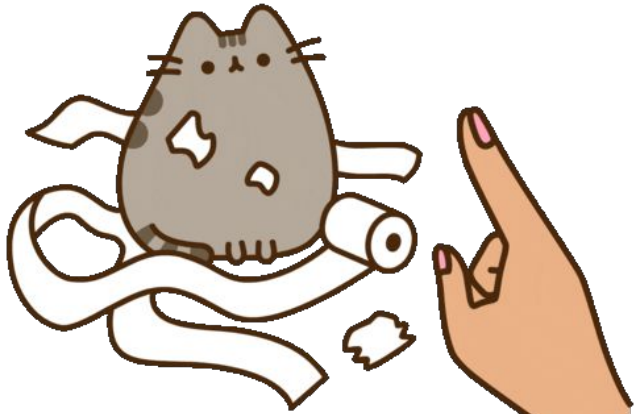
The “Dream Company” Fallacy

Despite some companies seeming like great places to work, it’s ultimately the people you work with that will have the most impact on your experience.



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“Onion of Influence”

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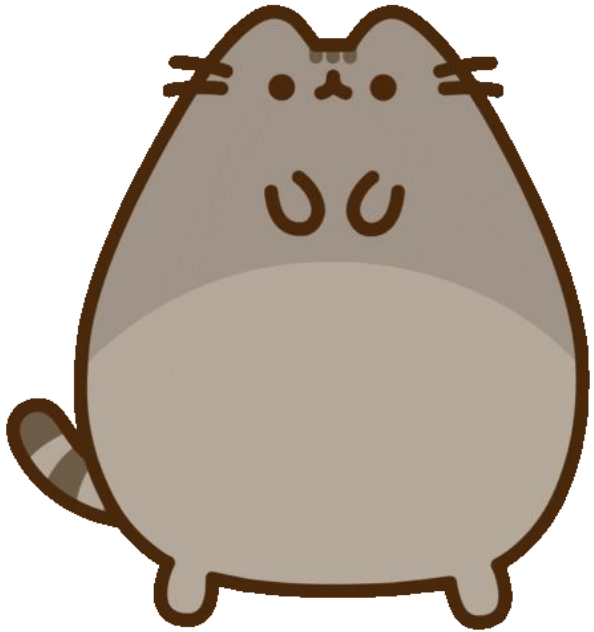
Organization Size

- **How "specific a job is"**
  - Bigger → want more niche people
  - Smaller → want people with more breadth
- **Bureaucracy & Flexibility**
  - Bigger → more bureaucracy
  - Smaller → less bureaucracy
- **More vs less job security**
  - Bigger → more security
  - Smaller → less security



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Organization Type

- **Technical vs Non Technical Institution**
  - Technical = better developer experience
- **Government vs Private Companies**
  - Benefits + Job Security
  - Gov does not want to maintain “tools”
- **B2B vs B2C**
  - Depends on the market
- **Product Focus?**

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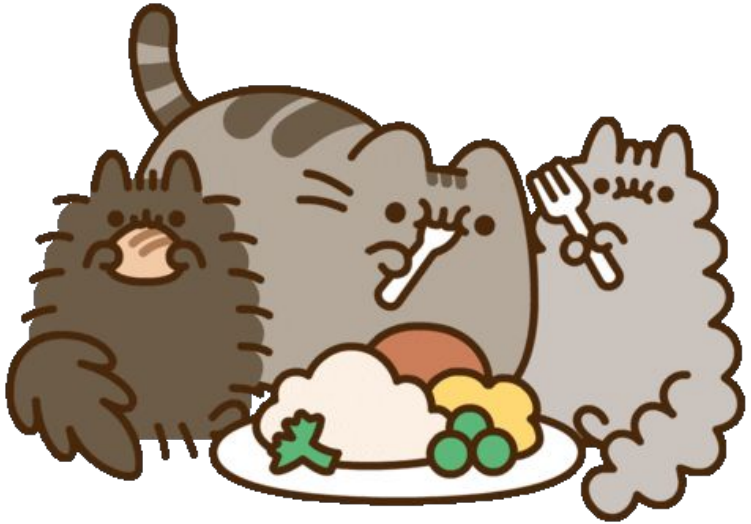
Your Team

- **The Project / Work**
  - Contract work vs long spanning projects
- **Team Structure**
  - Horizontal vs Vertical Teams
  - How involved are UX, business, client, etc.
- **Team Dynamics**
  - Rituals & ritual Frequency
  - Who writes acceptance criteria?



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In Reality, Every Job is Unique

Despite all these factors, these are only really generalizations and every organization varies in how much they do or don't align with these notions.

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Reading Postings

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Internship vs “Co-op”

“Must be in an accredited Canadian cooperative education program”.

Usually indicates you need to be in a co-op program so that institution can receive a **tax break**.

Apply **anyways**, just know that it may not work out.

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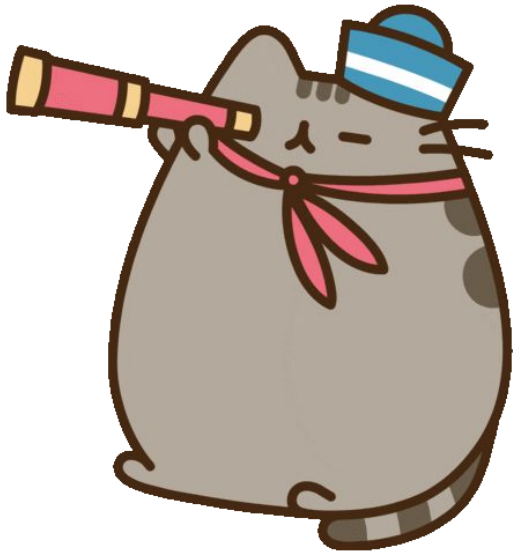
Key Posting "Components"

- **Duration –** Term Length, Full-time, etc
- **Position Title**
- **Responsibilities**
- **Location**
- **Salary* –** Transparency is a good sign



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Term Lengths

4 months

Can be very short, you might not get to experience as much

You can often ask to extend

I've **personally** found my learning peaks around 4 months

8-16 months

More likely to be given ownership

If you dislike the work or environment, you're stuck

Will appear more **significant** after you graduate

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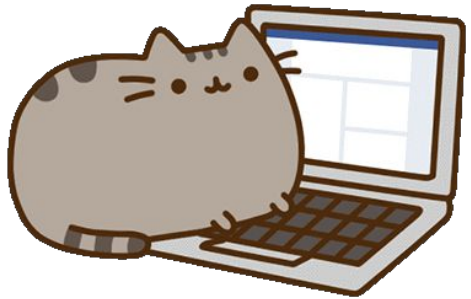
Job Titles

- **Software Developer**
  - Generic, assumes you'll be doing some form of "development"
- **Backend**
  - "Business Logic", not view related
- **Frontend**
  - View related
- **Fullstack**
  - Backend + Frontend



- **Web Designer / Web Master / Web Developer... when people add Web to the title**
  - Gives me the vibe I'm about to basically just do generic HTML, CSS and JS

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Job Titles

- **“Data Scientist”**
  - Doing Math, finding trends in data, may involved developing tooling related to touching that data
  - AI and ML is a subset, but usually applied machine learning is a separate title

- **Business Analyst / IT Analyst**
  - “Analyses” out what the business needs, writes up specifications for the developers, writes metric reports, title is honestly vague whether it will have development

- **Quality Assurance / Automation / Testing**
  - Manually testing or writing automation tests for other people's code

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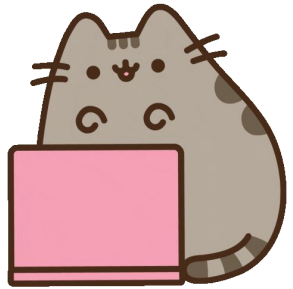
Job Titles

- **“DevOps”**
  - DevOps = Developer Operations, CI / CD
  - “IT for Developers”
- **Production / Infrastructure / Site-Reliability / Cloud Developer**
  - “Keeps the application running”
  - Usually concerned with system infrastructure, scalability, deployment, etc.
- **Data Engineering**
  - Use or build tools for organizing and or analyzing data
  - “Software Development for Data People”



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Job Titles

- **Product Manager**
  - Determine priority of development tasks, usually every team has one

- **Product Designer, UI / UX**
  - Mockups, wireframes, prototypes of the desires interfaces, not necessarily implementing them with code

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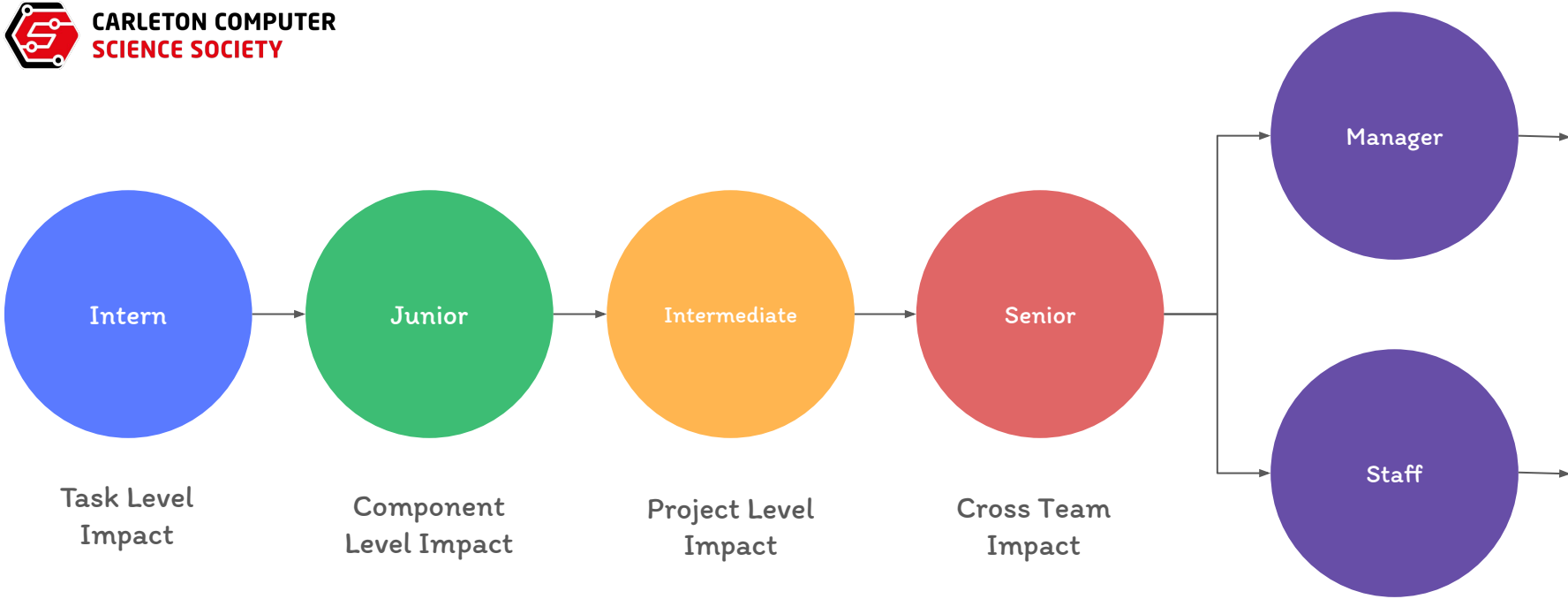

Project has many Components, Component has many Tasks

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Not Sure What Skills a Company Looks For?

Check their full-time postings.

You'll likely use the same tech as full-time employees.

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Finding Postings

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When To Search for Internships

Summer

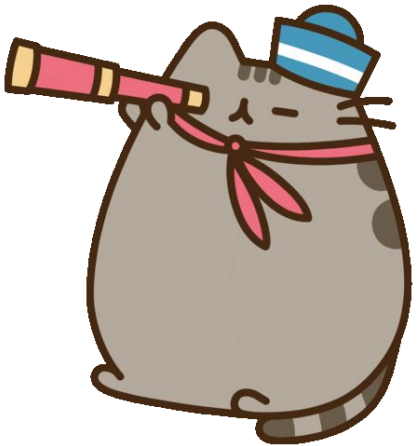
- Summer is the **most** competitive term (few people are in school)
- August - March

Fall

- The **least** competitive term (everyone's going back to school)
- May - July

Winter

- More competitive than Fall
- September - November



*** In reality you kind of never stop looking...

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Where to Search - Surface Level Options

Co-operative Education
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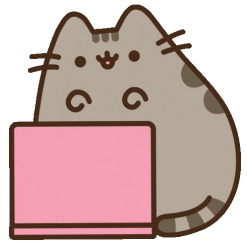
Title Permutations + location

- Software Developer Intern
- Developer Intern
- Software Intern
- Software Developer co-op
- Developer co-op
- Software co-op

indeed™
one search. all jobs.



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Dean's Summer Research Internships

- Work with professors to conduct research
- Requires a **CGPA of 10**
- Requires you to inquire with profs on your own

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Federal Student Work Experience Program

- Adds you to a job bank for different departments within the Government of Canada
- Lets you list your field interests

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https://www.cscareers.dev/

https://discord.com/invite/cscareers

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Carleton Co-op

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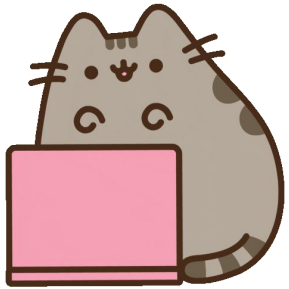
Co-op Jobs Portal

To apply you include

- Resume
- Cover Letter
- **Grades Page**



Shortlist Apply	Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106472	Junior Software Developer	2KEYS Corporation	Development
Shortlist Apply	Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106524	Support Technician, Infrastructu…	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada …	IT Client Service
Shortlist Apply	NEW Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106748	IT Service Desk Analyst	Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada …	IT Client Service
Shortlist Apply	Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106456	Software Developer (Co-op plac…	Ajile Light Industries	Research & Deve
Shortlist Apply	NEW Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106806	Hardware Design Engineering St…	Arkalumen Inc.	Engineering
Shortlist Apply	NEW Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106807	Software Design Engineering St…	Arkalumen Inc.	Engineering
Shortlist Apply	NEW Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106659	Software Development Student, …	Assent Compliance Inc.	Human Resource
Shortlist Apply	NEW Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106098	Software Developer Co-Op	Barracuda Networks Canada Ltd.	Human Resource
Shortlist Apply	Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106581	Trial Manager	Bell Canada	Network
Shortlist Apply	NEW Deadline in 2 day(s)	2021 - Summer	107046	IPTV Applications Architect (12 …	Bell Canada	Video Technology
Shortlist Apply	NEW Deadline in 14 day(s)	2021 - Summer	106987	Bell 2021 Student Opportunities	Bell	Talent Acquisition
Shortlist Apply		2021 - Summer	106595	Full Stack Developer Student	BlackBerry	Human Resource

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Pros and Cons

- **Pros**
  - Easier Job searching
  - Access to co-op only postings
- **Cons**
  - You can only turn down one job
  - You can't turn down interviews
  - Course is not tailored
  - Term reports - 10+ page report
  - Fees

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Talk to Your Co-op Student Advisors

- Make sure to ask your Co-op student advisors lots of questions
- Co-op is different from just applying for another term of courses so make sure you well set up for it
- Also contact them for fishy things

Elliott Godin

Co-op Student Advisor- BEng (Comms, CompSys, Software)

Full Profile

Suzanne Knight

Co-op Student Advisor - BCS

Full Profile

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An Example... Health Insurance In Co-op

- If your co-op is in the Fall term, your health insurance isn't automatically renewed
- Make sure to apply yourself before the deadline or else you won't be covered

	Coverage from Sept. 1, 2023 – Aug. 31, 2024 (for undergraduate students taking fewer than 4 courses)	Coverage from Jan. 1 – Aug. 31, 2024 (for new Winter Term students only)
Total	$179.87	$119.92
Health Plan	$105.88	$70.59
Dental Plan	$73.99	$49.33

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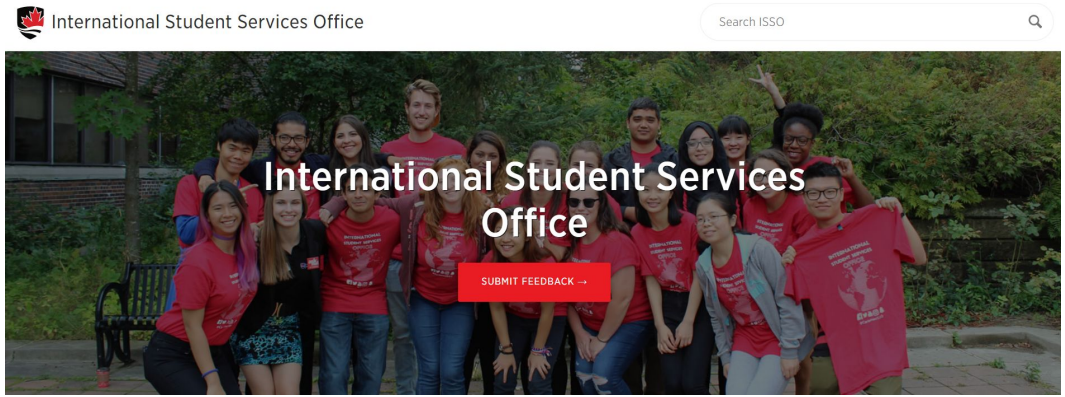
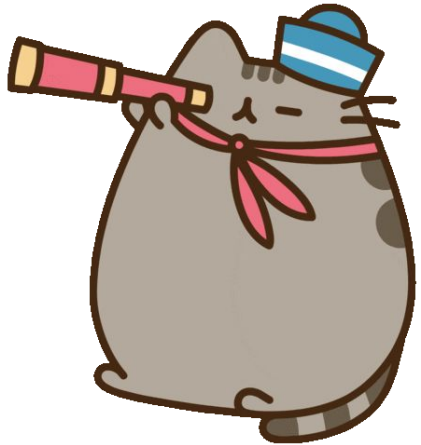
International Students and Co-op

- Ask Carleton's International Students Service Office for info
- You need a co-op work permit to work and it can take up to 3 months
- Make sure to also apply for SIN





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Networking

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Career Events

- Conferences
- Career Fairs
- Meetups
- Hackathons (sponsors)
- Networking Events
- **Carleton MySuccess Calendar**

Carleton Career Fair - **January 24th**

MLH
MAJOR LEAGUE HACKING

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For Each...

- What they do
  - Products?
  - In General?
- What they want
  - Skills?
  - Job postings?

faster and more reliable plan development.

- BlackBerry QNX
  - QNX is the operating system
  - Top languages: JavaScript C++ Java C Ruby
- Trend Micro Incorporated
  - Trend Micro Inc. is a Japanese multinational cyber security and defense company founded in Los Angeles, California
  - Top languages: Python JavaScript C++ Java Go
- **Vectorface**
  - We are currently one of the forerunners in the social gaming market and we are working with teams from coast to coast to develop new games and experiences for social gamers around the world.
  - Top languages: PHP JavaScript CSS Redis (1 github project), MySQL (seen on github)
- Intouch Insight (are they a parent company??)
  - Top languages: PHP Ruby JavaScript Java
  - Check : Specialize in Mobile Form Software
  - LiaCX: Customer Experience Management Software
- Accenture
  - Top languages: Shell Groovy JavaScript Java Ruby
  - Do stuff with oracle cloud services
- Scalien Group
  - Software for avionics testing Avionics software
  - Work with drones and such
- Qlik
  - Qlik is a software company based in Radnor, Pennsylvania
  - Top languages: JavaScript Shell Go C++ Java
  - Qlik Sense: The most powerful and complete multi-cloud solution for modern BI
  - Qlik Sense Enterprise: enables the full spectrum of analytics use cases on a modern multi-cloud platform, delivering flexibility, governance and scalability for your organization.
  - Qlik Sense Cloud: Enables your group or team to get analytics up and running fast. With everything ready to go, you can quickly bring your data together and collaborate in a secure, hosted environment.
  - Qlik Analytics Platform: embedded and custom analytics
- Cisco Systems
  - Top Languages: C Ruby C++ Go JavaScript
  - Networking company
- Veem
  - Veem is a global payments platform, using SWIFT, treasury and cryptocurrency, typically bitcoin.
- Kanata North Business Association
  - Seems to be a collective of businesses
- Magnet Forensics
  - ACQUISITION TOOL FOR SMARTPHONES AND COMPUTERS
- Stega Networks
  - providing innovative IT solutions designed to improve the productivity and performance of business units across your organization.
  - Web development?
- Gemalto
  - Gemalto is an international digital security company providing software applications, secure personal devices such as smart cards and tokens, and managed services.
  - Top Languages: Go Java Python C# Smarty

** Real example from Matthew's first year

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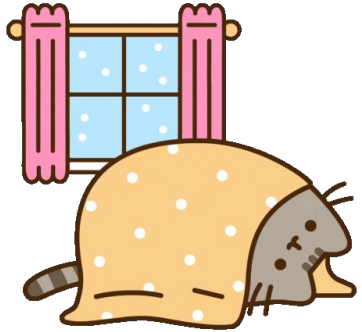

Helpful Career Fair Advice

- You are going to the event to **“impress”** not to “learn”.
  - You should already know the kinds of positions they’re hiring for
  - You’re going to shake the recruiters hand

- **Do not** ask the company **“what they do”**... you should already know

- **Do not** say “I’m **first year** standing”
  - Understand you are competing with upper-year students

- Take **interest** in working at their company
  - Show you actually care by saying something like “I’ve heard {x} is the leader in {y}”

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Learn to Sell Yourself

Sell yourself one way to the recruiter and another way to the developer. The recruiter is looking to tick off boxes - say you know those skills.

“Hi my name is {name} and I have a background in {x,y,z}. I’ve heard great things about {something that show you care} at {company}, and was interested in applying and learning about your upcoming student positions”.

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LinkedIn

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Why LinkedIn Matters

- **Recruiters / Interviewers will look**
  - After career events
  - When they see your resume

- **You can look them up...**
  - The modern version of handing your resume in by hand
  - Less effort than an email / cover letter / follow up

- **Your activity "raises you" in recruiter search results**

Matthew MacRae-Bovell • 11:19 PM

Hi [redacted]! My name is Matthew and I'm a computer science student who would love to intern with [redacted]. I'm currently searching for a Software Developer co-op for the upcoming summer and fall terms. I'm experienced with Ruby on Rails, React and Java. I would love to chat if you're free!

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Reach out after or even before!

[redacted], **CHRP** (She/Her) · 1st

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SEP 25, 2019

Matthew MacRae-Bovell (He/Him) • 3:00 PM

Hello! my name is Matthew MacRae-Bovell and I'm a 2nd-year Carleton computer science student. I just saw your post about Kinaxis attending the Waterloo career fair, and was wondering if Kinaxis was planning to come to Carleton and when Kinaxis normally starts hiring students for the summer.

OCT 2, 2019

[redacted] **CHRP** (She/Her) • 9:04 PM

Hi Matthew. We are attending Day 1 of Carleton University's Fall Career Fair on Wednesday October 16th from 10am – 3pm in Alumni Hall – Athletics Centre. We start posting to Carleton in January 2020 for summer coops. See you in a couple of weeks!

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Another Example...

APR 6

Matthew MacRae-Bovell (He/Him) • 10:52 AM

[redacted]a! I just saw your post regarding a role working on Zapier's Runner team and I'm very interested! I currently work on Shopify's automation platform "Shopify Flow" where I've worked on both our core engine and developer platform. Would love to connect and learn more about the role!

[redacted] (He/Him) • 10:

Hey Matthew, I wanted to acknowledge your impressive skill set and express my appreciation for your interest in our team at Zapier. Allow me to provide you with a brief overview of the Runner team.

Our team is responsible for one of the core systems at Zapier and consists of 5 engineers, 1 product manager, and 1 engineering manager in the AMER timezone (ET, CT, and PT). We're looking for a new team member to f osition, with an ideal start date in May 2023. The team is looking for

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Profile Tips

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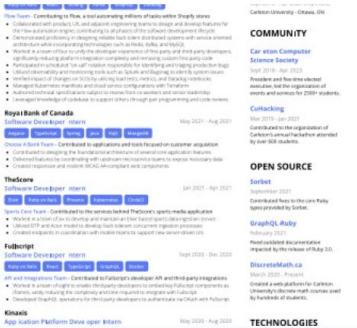

Resume - April 2023

Link

Github Profile
GitHub

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Matthew MacRae-Bovell's Portfolio
matthewmacraebovell.com
Matthew MacRae-Bovell's personal website.

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Add “links” and skills

(Make it look full)

Software Engineer II
Jobber
May 2023 - Present · 6 mos
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada · Hybrid

Software Developer
Shopify
Sep 2021 - Apr 2023 · 1 yr 8 mos
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

Working as a member of the Flow Team, enabling the automation of millions of merchant tasks each day.
...
...see mo

Skills: Microservices · React.js · Ruby on Rails · Kafka · Golang · Datadog · Splunk · GraphQL

Software Developer
RBC · Internship
May 2021 - Aug 2021 · 4 mos
Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Worked as a member of the "Choose a Bank" journey, a development group focused on customer acquisition....
...see mo

Skills: Microservices · Angular · Spring Framework · TypeScript · RxJS · NgRx · Java

RBC OMNI

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Resumes

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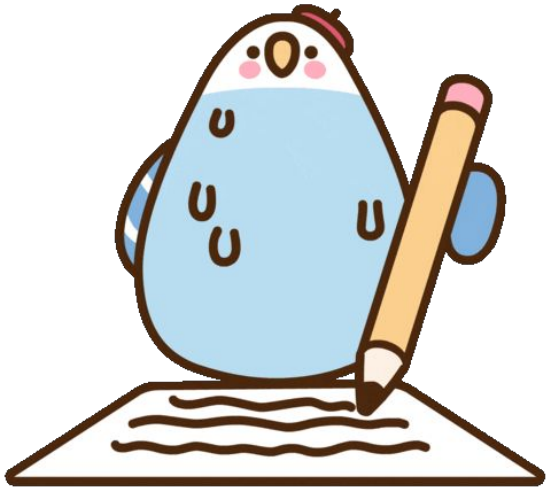
“Objective” Resume Advice

- **SAR = Situation. Action. Result.**
  - What did you do? What skills did you use? What came of it?
- **Make sure your resume scans and prints**
  - Two Columns Might not parse as well as single column
  - Some resume parsers try to read horizontally
- **Grammar + Spelling Check - Just do it...**



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More Resume Advice

- **“Just look at what everyone else is doing”**
  - Find the resume of a student who got into a company you want to work for, you can infer what factors helped them land the job
  - r/csMajors ... (or equivalent)
    - You can find a few hundred or so resumes to scan on the weekly resume roast threads
- **Don’t take advice from just one person**
  - Taking raw resume advice (especially from other students) is hard to filter

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Even More Resume Advice

- You can't please everyone: keep it general for general applying, tailor if you care more
- Good formatting, spacing, etc. - shows you pay attention to detail
- Keep multiple resumes tailored to different applications
- Don't oversaturate your skills - probably doesn't apply if you're 1st or 2nd year
- Maximize space ~ Broken lines look gross and waste space ... reword your points until they fit

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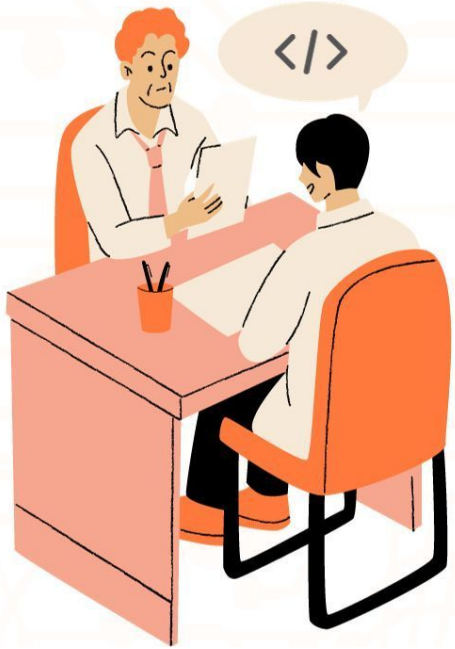
Resume Office Hours

Get 1-on-1 feedback from accomplished computer science students

January 8th
2:00 - 5:30 PM EST, HP 4125

January 9th
2:30 - 6:00 PM EST, HP 4125

January 10th
2:00 - 5:30 PM EST, HP 4125



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“What do I put on my resume if I don’t have anything?”

- **Projects** - great way to show experience with technologies without having paid experience
  - Could be an app, game, website, or anything you’ve built that is relevant to the job!
  - Don’t have any projects? - Word your school work into projects
    - Yes, this is dangerous because recruiters are going to see the same projects
  - Don’t have any projects from school? - Copy a Youtube tutorial / project (self learning)
- Add extra-curriculars
- Add Interests
- Have really pretty spacing. Make it minimalistic.

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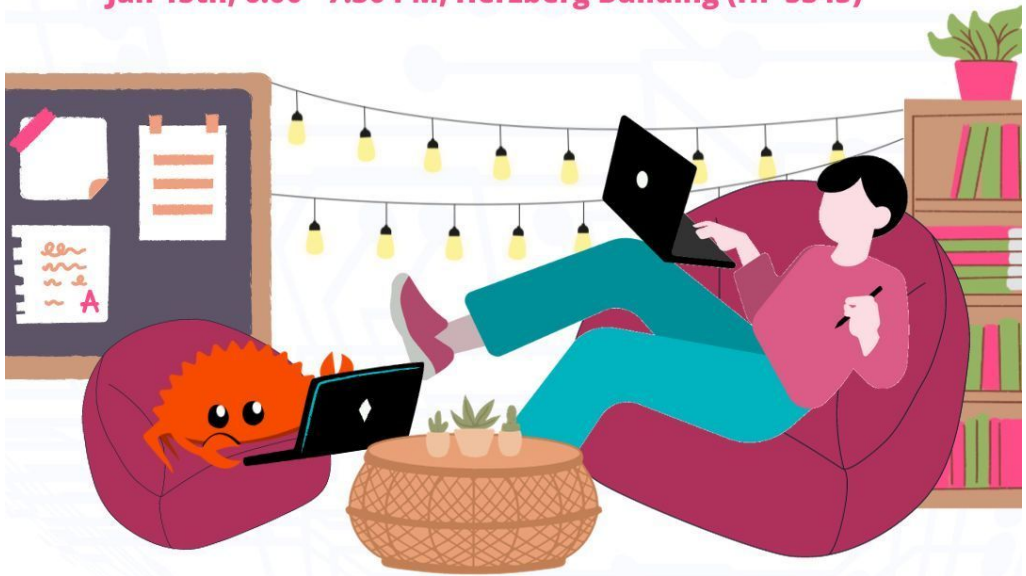
TLDR: Personal Projects

Learn everything you need to know in relation to personal projects!

Jan 15th, 6:00 - 7:30 PM, Herzberg Building (HP 5345)



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Contribute to CCSS Projects

All of January, we'll be adding new Github Issues to our projects.

Work Periods:

Work asynchronously, or join us in person to work together

January 19th

3:00 - 5:30 PM EST, HP 5345

January 26th

3:00 - 5:30 PM EST, HP 5345

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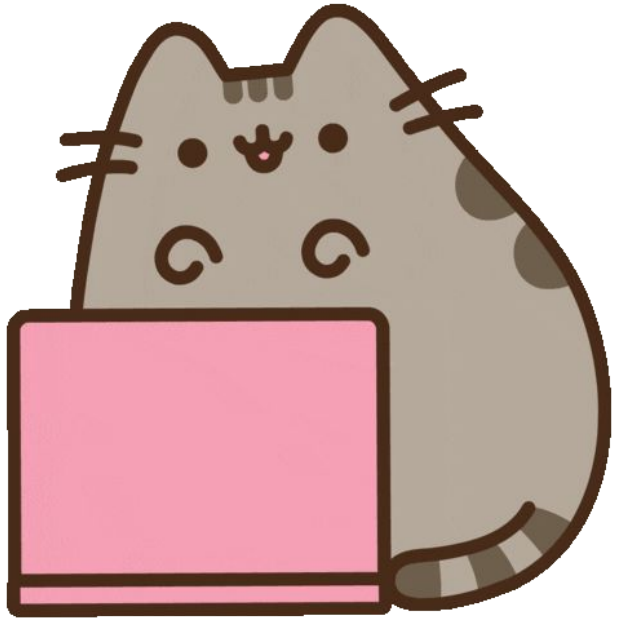
Interviews

- **OA - Online Assessment**
  - Take home project challenge
  - Time-based code challenge
- **Behavioral "HR" Interview**
  - Communications skills
  - Culture Fit
- **Technical Interview**
  - Algorithms
  - OOP Questions
  - System Design



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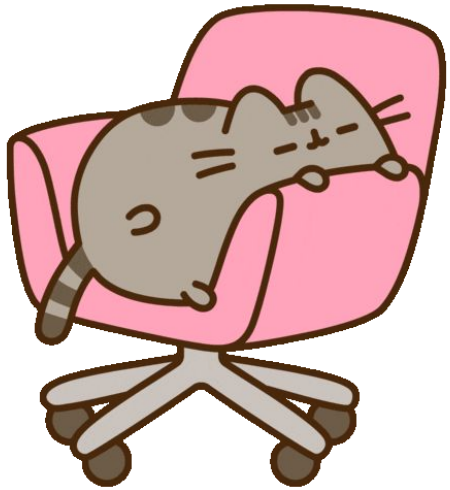
What is the Interviewer looking for? (Depends)

- If your someone they'd want to work with
- If you actually care about the work
- If you have a strong desire to learn
- How you communicate your ideas
- Some level of technical skill
- "Well rounded people"



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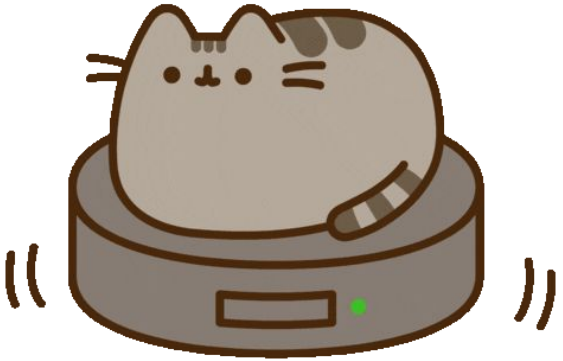
Check Reddit and Glassdoor for previous interview experiences.



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Obligatory LeetCode Slide

- You can't just do "8 hours of LeetCode"
- When I used to care about LeetCode, I did 1 problem a day and would attempt the problem again 1 week later to make sure I still understood it. Sort by difficulty, acceptance.
- I find LeetCode isn't that crucial for jobs at the local level

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A Guide to Tech Interviews

Learn everything you need succeed with your upcoming interviews

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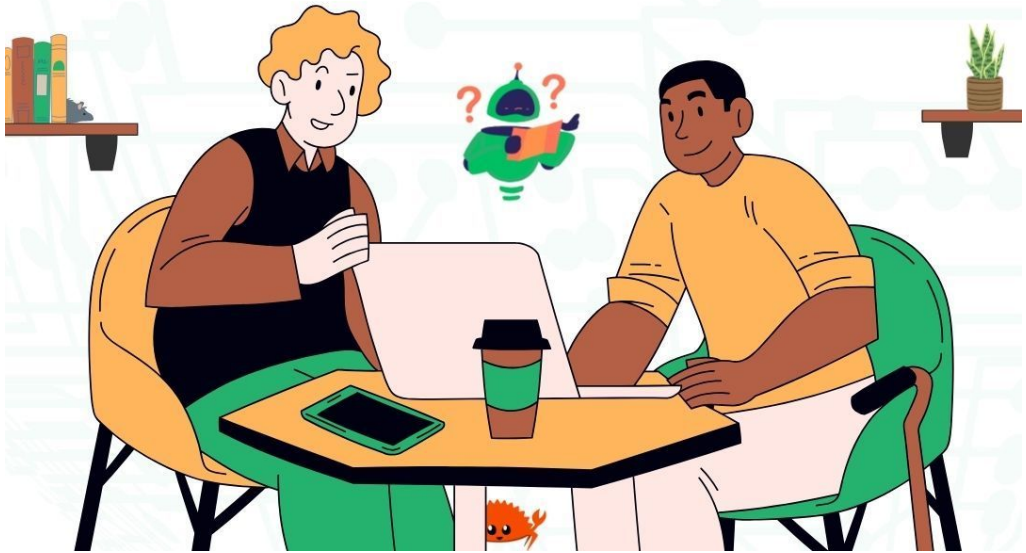

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Before you Accept

- Don't feel pressured to accept a job offer immediately over the phone, take some time to think it over
- Know what you're going to be doing (at a surface level)

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Thank You!

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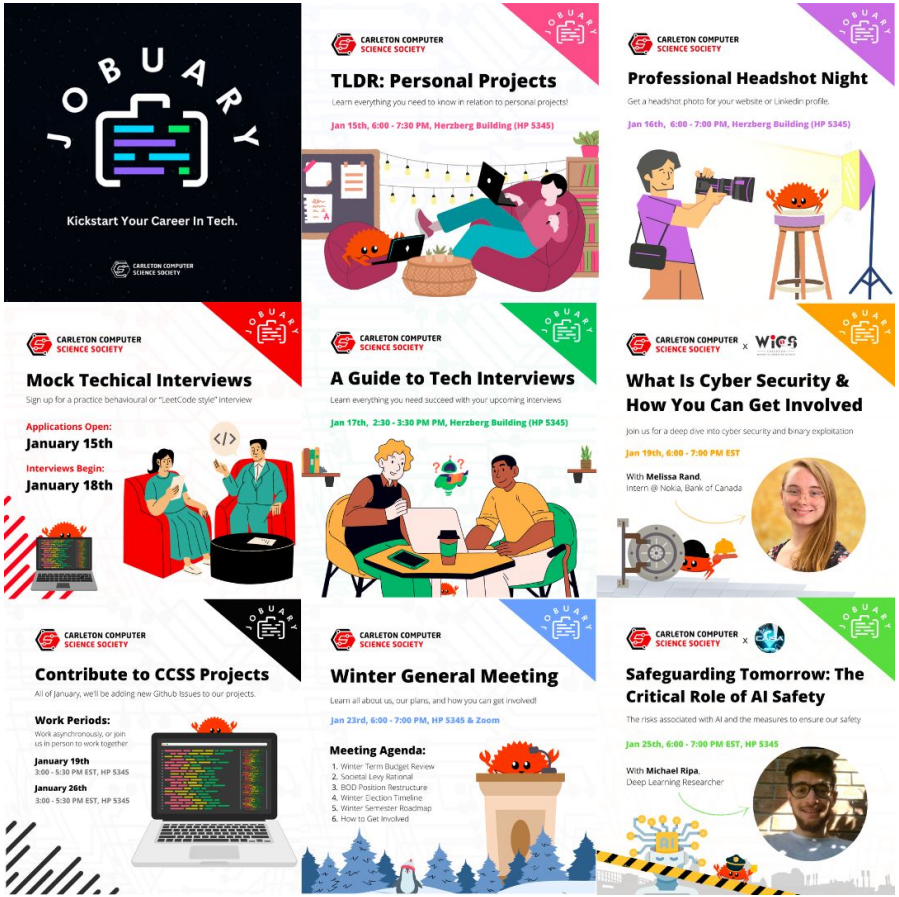
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