Seif Otefa

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EDUCATION

McMaster University

Honors Computer Science Co-op, B.A.Sc

Hamilton, ON **Relevant Courses:** Intro. to Programming, Intro. to Full-stack Development, Development Basics (C, Git, Bash) Awards and Achievements: McMaster University Award of Excellence (\$3000)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, C, SQL, JavaScript, PHP, Bash, Latex, Haskell Web Development: HTML, CSS, React, Node.js, Tailwind CSS Developer Tools and Databases: Apache, Firebase, Git, Github, MySQL, Makefile, UNIX, Visual Studio Code Certifications: Cisco IT Essentials 🔗

Experience

Teaching Assistant — Stanford University

- Taught Stanford's Code in Place (CS106A) course taken by over 1600 students, and led weekly teaching sections for 15+ students, providing hands-on support, clarifying concepts, and facilitating group discussions to foster collaboration and enhance learning outcomes.
- Educated students on fundamental programming principles in **Python**, leveraging beginner-friendly libraries such as Stanford's Karel and Tkinter.

Product Manager Intern — MoVA Realities

- Conducted requirement analysis and designed system architecture for an AI-powered immersive experience platform, ensuring scalability and enterprise adoption.
- Developed a structured software development framework, defining key priorities for the Minimum Viable **Product** (MVP) with a focus on **AI integration** and **user experience**.

Founder — WeSkale

- Designed and implemented responsive, full-stack web applications using JavaScript/TypeScript, React, Tailwind CSS, Node.js, and Python, collaborating with local businesses to translate technical requirements into scalable web solutions with custom features.
- Partnered with clients to create UI/UX design mockups using Figma and Canva, and deployed optimized websites through secure hosting solutions, implementing SEO best practices to improve search rankings and site performance.

Projects

Spark and Prepper \mathcal{O} — React, Tailwind CSS, Node.js, Express.js, Gemini API, Firebase

- Led a team of 3 to develop a fullstack AI-powered study app at GDSC Hacks 2025 that transforms over 60 pages of uploaded course materials into flashcards, quizzes, and study guides in less than 10 seconds, with an integrated AI chatbot tutor using Gemini API and Node.js.
- Built a frontend landing page and user dashboard with **React**, **Tailwind CSS**, and **Vite**, optimized to load user's study packs in under 1 second.
- Engineered a file upload and fetching pipeline using **Google Firebase** cloud storage, with efficient routing logic in Node.js and Express.

BookMate! Ø — JavaScript, PHP, MySQL

- Developed a full-stack booking platform for a local landscaping business as part of a 3-member team, using PHP for backend logic, MySQL for data persistence, and modular JavaScript for interactivity.
- Implemented secure authentication system with login/registration functionality, session management, and role-based access control for staff, with real-time calendar updates using AJAX and a the JavaScript FullCalendar API.

MatrixSolver! - C, Bash

- Built a modular C library for matrix operations: addition, subtraction, multiplication, and transpose.
- Solved linear systems using Gaussian elimination and tested functionality with Bash scripting.

October 2024 - Present

March 2025 – Present

April 2025 – Present

Expected Graduation: June 2028