Brianna Xiao



EDUCATION

Honours Specialization in Computer Science, Western University

London, ON

Achievements:

September 2024 – May 2027

- Finalist, 5th speaker at University of Pennsylvania World Schools Debate Championship, Semi-Finalist and ranked 7/100+ Teams at Queen's University High School Debate Tournament 2023, Semi-Finalists at Waterloo High School Debate Tournament 2022
- Group 2 Honor Roll for the Waterloo Fryer math contest, Group 3 Honor Roll at the Waterloo Canadian International Math Contest, Group 3 Honor Roll and school champion for the Waterloo Cayley math contests
- SheHacks Finalist and Best Beginner Hacks

EXPERIENCE

Western Founders Network - School Club

London, ON

Director of Projects

October 2024 – Present

- Worked in full-stack development projects with HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and Java, emphasizing entrepreneurial problem solving to create user-friendly, dynamic web applications.
- Fostered collaboration across a diverse team to develop responsive designs that address real-world problems, aligning with business needs and innovative solutions.

Western Computer Science Undergrad Society - School Academic Club

London, ON

Director of Events

October 2024 – Present

- Spearheaded planning and execution of club-wide events, focusing on fostering networking opportunities for students.
- Managed budgets, schedules, and resources for events, ensuring high engagement amongst club members.

STR Debate Club - School Academic Club

Thornhill, ON

President

September 2023 – June 2024

- Led a team of 150+ members and 13 executives, fostering leadership and teamwork.
- Managed logistics for regional and national tournaments, ensuring smooth operations and participant success.
- Collaboratively Organized both the 2023 and 2024 United Nations York Catholic Assembly with 300+ competitors.

Toronto Global Spotlight - Non-Profit Organization

Thornhill, ON

Media Manager/Outreach

September 2023 - June 2024

- Organized a large-scale fundraising tournament that raised \$1,725 to support Toronto refugee centers, showcasing leadership and entrepreneurial spirit in non-profit initiatives.
- Collaborated with community leaders and school representatives to develop strategic partnerships and promote ongoing initiatives focused on tackling systemic injustices.

Projects

Procrastination Buddy Chrome Extension – Python, React, Node, JavaScript, CSS, HTML, Socket.

- Integrated a webcam detection system to trigger visual changes when multiple people are detected in the background with a **Python** backend and **CSS**, **HTML** front end.
- Implemented **Socket.io** as an API to seamlessly connect the frontend and backend, supporting a live chat box and small interactive games.

Dance Game – Python, Mediapipe, Metadata, ReactNative, Node, JavaScript, CSS, HTML

- Developed an immersive motion-based dance game that tracks player movements and matches them to choreographed routines in real time using Python and **Mediapipe's pose estimation capabilities**.
- Integrated **metadata** tagging for precise motion analysis and scoring, ensuring accurate alignment between user movements and predefined dance sequences.
- Using React and CSS to provide live visual feedback and performance analytics enhancing gaming experience.

SKILLS

Languages: Fluent/Working Proficiency in English and Mandarin; Working Proficiency in French Technical Skills: Full-stack development (HTML, CSS, JavaScript), Graphic Design (Figma, Canva, Adobe), Python, Java Interests: Debate, Model United Nations, Sketching, Violin, Dance, Skating