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Microsoft, News Feed and Verticals
Principal Group Engineering Manager (M2) – Core UX

Redmond, WA Nov. 2021 – Present

Leading 20+ software engineers across teams in Redmond (United States), Suzhou (China) and remote to deliver platform-wide developer agility, product performance and business revenue OKRs for Microsoft News org.

Microsoft, Bing Search

Bellevue, WA

Principal SWE \rightarrow Principal Software Engineering Manager (M1) – Edge Sidebar

May 2019 - Nov. 2021

Microsoft Hackathon, Modern Life Challenge, 1st Place (out of 6,860 projects and 27,022 employees) 9/2019

Oracle, Cloud Infrastructure Platform

Microsoft Hackathon, 4th Prize

Seattle, WA

Principal Member of Technical Staff, Technical Lead

Jan. 2018 – Mar. 2019

Microsoft, Bing User Experience

Bellevue, WA

Software Engineer \rightarrow Senior Software Engineer, Technical Lead

Jul. 2010 – Nov. 2017

Bing Hackathon, Mentor, 3rd Place (out of 53 projects)

2/2014 11/2013

Bing Innovation Awards, **3rd Place** (out of 56 projects)

10/2013

Bing Hackathon, 2nd Place (out of 65 projects)

7/2013

Bing Science Fair, **Best Business Value Winner** (out of 72 projects)

5/2013

Bing Hackathon, 1st Place (out of 93 projects)

11/2012

Bing Intern Hackathon, Mentor, 3rd Place

7/2012

Bing Hackathon, 1st Place (out of 42 projects)

6/2011

Answerjoy, Online Trivia Game

Co-founder

Cluj-Napoca, Romania 2008 – 2010

Microsoft, Bing Multimedia Search, Software Engineer Intern

Redmond, WA; Jul. – Sep. 2009

Jožef Stefan Institute, Software Engineer Intern

Ljubljana, Slovenia; Jul. – Sep. 2008

Google Summer of Code, Openmoko, Software Engineer Intern

Apr. – Sep. 2008

Microsoft Imagine Cup, Worldwide Finalist in Software Design

Seoul, South Korea; 8/2007

Microsoft Imagine Cup, National Finals in Software Design, 1st Place

Timişoara, Romania; 5/2007

Microsoft Imagine Cup, Central and Eastern Europe Regional Finalist in Software Design Maribor, Slovenia; 5/2006

Microsoft Imagine Cup, National Finals in Software Design, 1st Place

Cluj-Napoca, Romania; 4/2006

Brooktrout Extreme Code Makeover Contest, 1st Place

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Siemens Program and System Engineering, **Scholarship**

11/2005 - 6/2006

Microsoft Imagine Cup, National Finals in Software Design, 3rd Prize

Iași, Romania; 4/2005

Olympiad, National Finals in Informatics, ${f 4th}$ ${f Prize}$

Buzău, Romania; 4/2004

Component Source Speech Control Contest, 1st Place

6/2003

3/2006

Ştefan Odobleja National Programming Contest, 2nd Place

Craiova, Romania; 4/2003

Education

University of Washington, Foster School of Business, Evening MBA

Seattle, WA; 9/2017 - 3/2022

Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, MSc in Machine Learning

Cluj-Napoca, Romania; 10/2008 – 7/2010

Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, BSc in Computer Science

Cluj-Napoca, Romania; 10/2005 – 7/2008

Technical Skills and Patents C++, JavaScript; Web Performance; 11 patents filed with USPTO

Citizenships Romania and United States of America