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### EDUCATION

#### Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Engineering Science and Technology

BSc Computer Engineering - GPA: 3.35/4.00

2011 -2015

- Rank: Top 10% of class
- **Dean's Honor Roll** for scoring Distinction in 3rd and 8th semesters

#### Independent Coursework

2014-PRESENT

*35 online courses completed with verified certificates from Coursera, edX and +Acumen*

- *Human Centered Design, Lean Data Approach to Measure Social Impact*
- *R Programming, Process Mining, Extrapolatory Data Analysis, Statistical Inference, Machine Learning*

### RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

#### iDT Labs

Freetown, Sierra Leone

#### Software Engineer and R&D Lead

July 2015 - Present

*Worked with public and private sector clients in the Information, Communication and Technology for Development (ICT4D) space for creating customized software solutions*

- Conducted a two month long proof of concept and pilot for an [infectious disease surveillance dashboard](#) developed by IBM Research Africa for USAID's *Fighting Ebola: a Grand Challenge for Development* award
- Co author and researcher for the World Bank's [Open Data Readiness Assessment Report](#) for Liberia
- Co researcher in a United Nations Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) and Bank of Sierra Leone led survey to study the financial lives of government employees and recommend digital financial services (DFS) for them
- Lead human centered designer for iCommit, a mobile-money based conditional cash savings scheme for subsistence farmers that aims at improving uptake of DFS in West Africa
- Technical and project management consultant for a nationwide enterprise resource planning (ERP) system for the Pay No Bribe Sierra Leone, a DfID funded project
- Software developer for an SMS Gateway that allowed service operators to provide text message alerts to customers

#### Code for Sierra Leone

Freetown, Sierra Leone

#### Country Manager

July 2015 - Present

*Initiated a community of civic coders, designers and policy advocates working on improving delivery of public services in Sierra Leone*

- Research lead for [MWash](#), a water and sanitation point mapping platform that aimed to improve the delivery of water and sanitation services in Freetown, with support from The Engine Room's [Matchbox Program](#)
- Development research lead for MembaO, a data driven platform for tracking performance of Parliamentarians in Sierra Leone. Supported by the [innovateAFRICA](#) grant from the Omidyar Network and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.
- Project Lead for the Sierra Leone [OpenGov Fellowships](#) .Liaised with the ministry departments in understanding their open data requirements, and formulating projects to digitize their data management processes

- Project Lead for the [StoryLab Academy](#), a Google News Lab initiative that imparted data journalism training to newsrooms and journalist schools, with the aim of training 6000 journalists across Africa by 2018

**Infosys Ltd.**

Bangalore, India

**InStep Intern, Infosys Labs  
2014**

**July 2014 -August**

- Created a browser plugin from scratch within 4 weeks for optimising the speed and usability of responsive web applications

**AIESEC in GIKI**

Topi, Pakistan

**Managing Director**

**March 2014 -March 2015**

- Ran a global internship program with a team of 30, achieving a relative growth rate of 100% within a period of 12 months

**PROJECTS**

**A 360 Degree Marketing Plan for a Low Cost Water Purification System**

*Unilever Business Plan Competition. Brand Winners, and project featured by Acumen*

**Nov 2014**

Piloted a marketing plan based on the human-centered design methodology for PureIt, a water purification system for low income families in Pakistan

**SKILLS**

**Programming Languages:** Python, R, Java, JavaScript, SQL, C++

**Data Visualization Softwares:** Tableau, Carto DB, Google Fusion Tables, Arc GIS

**Other Tech Skills:** Functional knowledge in machine learning, process mining, UI/UX design

**Other Skills:** Human Centered Design, Open Data, Government Reform, Impact Evaluations, Project Management