# **Aaron Vale**

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## Education

General Assembly Boston, MA, 2017

- Web Development Immersive Program
- Built full-stack web applications with HTML, CSS, JavaScript, SQL, Ruby on Rails

#### **Brown University**

Providence, RI. 2011-2016

- Masters of Public Affairs, May 2016 4.0/4.0 GPA
- B.A. International Relations (Magna Cum Laude), May 2015 4.0/4.0 GPA, departmental academic excellence award
  - Elected to Phi Beta Kappa, Spring 2014
  - Studied Abroad at National Taiwan University, Taipei, Spring '14, and at National Cheng Kung University, Tainan, Summer '13

## Experience

### Fearless Kitty Rescue

June-September 2017

- Volunteer Web Developer
  - Migrated fearlesskittyrescue.org from Squarespace to Wordpress CMS
  - Integrated adoptable cat database with Petfinder API, eliminating redundant data entry tasks for cat shelter volunteers
  - Built front-end web application with customizable search function for users to view images and descriptions of Fearless Kitty Rescue's adoptable cats
  - Improved website layout and user experience

#### MIT Solve

Cambridge, MA, March-August 2017

- Project Assistant, Economic Prosperity and Education Pillars
  - Assisted in outreach efforts, event planning for Solve's flagship event, Solve at MIT, a three-day summit connecting business leaders, non-profits and policy makers with promising social entrepreneurs
  - Led challenge promotion efforts for Solve's Youth, Skills, and the Future of the Workforce and Women in Technology challenges, resulting in 950 submissions from 103 unique countries
  - Administrated Solve website following the closing of the platform for 2017 challenge submissions
  - Organized and analyzed solution submission data

## **Tufts University**

Medford, MA, July-Dec 2016

- Research Assistant
  - Researched and prepared primary source course materials for class on 2016 Presidential Election and the Media, taught by CNN journalist David Gregory

### Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)

Washington, DC, Jan-Mar 2016

- Intern, China Power Project
  - Researched, drafted, and edited over 18 multimedia articles for <u>ChinaPower microsite</u>
  - Compiled and analyzed large datasets from over 50 sources in order to examine trends in China's economic, military, and political power, organized data repository for free distribution of raw data for website users
  - Developed project flowchart to create a workplace for creation of future website content
  - Spearheaded website outreach strategy, generated contact network
  - Managed China Power Project Twitter and Facebook profiles

## Strait Talk Brown

Providence, RI and New York, NY Fall 2013, Fall 2014

- Publicity Chair
  - Recruited delegates for the 2014 conference, developed internal and external publicity, organized two film screenings to increase community interest in Taiwan Strait conflict

## Language and Technical Skills, Interests

Language: Advanced Proficiency in Mandarin Chinese and Moderate Proficiency in Spanish Technical: Mac and PC OS; Proficient in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Python, MySQL, Ruby; Wordpress, Squarespace, Dru-

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