

# Ben Zelinski

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## Profile

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I'm a Software Engineer based in the Berkshires (MA). I'm the co-creator of *Campion*, an edge-deployed, circuit-breaking middleware that helps distributed architectures fail gracefully. I'm GCP-ACE certified, and have experience with Cloudflare and AWS. Currently I'm at *CipherHealth*, where I'm integrating a legacy Rails monolith with Node-based GCP micro-services, while doubling as my team's Agile Delivery Manager.

## Skills

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**Backend** — *Node, TypeScript, FeathersJS, NestJS, Ruby, Rails, SQL, Express, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, Redis, SFTP, RESTful API's* | **Frontend** — *Javascript (ES6), JQuery, React/Redux, HTML/CSS, ERB, HAML, Vue.js, Bootstrap* |

**Cloud** — *GCP (ACE Certified), Terraform, AWS, Cloudflare, Digital Ocean* | **Tools** — *Docker, Kubernetes, Postman, OpenAPI/Swagger, Gitlab, Github, Jira, Twilio, Google, Agile*

## Professional Experience

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**Software Engineer & Agile Delivery Manager, *CipherHealth*** 2021 – present

- Currently integrating Rails monolith with Node/TS, GCP-Deployed micro-services
- Delivered multiple high-impact, high-value projects
- Consistent, measurable success as ADM across multiple teams
  - Praised by teammates for morale/personnel management
  - Praised by leadership for team output and metrics
- Coordinated world-wide response to live incident as de facto Interim Manager
- Co-authored *Feathers-Hook-Breaker*, an open-source NPM circuit breaker for *FeathersJS*
  - Guarantees message rate SLA on two applications at *CipherHealth*

**Co-Creator, Software Engineer, *Campion*** 2020 – 2021

- Co-authored *Campion's* Case Study: <https://campion-breaker.github.io/>
- Co-created *Campion*, an edge-deployed, circuit-breaking middleware that helps distributed architectures fail gracefully
- Designed and built on both Cloudflare and AWS using Node.js and React/Redux, published to NPM
- Operates as a middleware proxy injected into the request/response cycle

**Various Management Roles in Hospitality and Wine Industries** 2004 – 2019

- Co-founded *The Bee's Knees Baking Company* - NYC
- Wine Director and Manager at *Mustard's Grill* - Napa, CA
- Sommelier - *Del Frisco's Chicago* || *Harvest Grunt* - Sonoma, CA

## Education

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**Launch School, <https://launchschool.com/employers>** 2019 – 2020  
Mastery-based program teaching programming with a strong emphasis on fundamentals.

**BFA Dramatic Performance, *College-Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati*** 2000 – 2004

## Awards

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**Eagle Scout, BSA 365** 2000  
Eagle Project of the Year for Simon Kenton Council