

BLAKE NEWSKY - Junior Software Developer (Open to relocation)

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PROFILE:

Proven mid-career professional culminating a career transition into hands-on tech pro. Looking to work my way up within a strong team.

EDUCATION:

College of Idaho – Caldwell, ID - Bachelor of Arts: Music Education

EXPERIENCE:

04/2018-Present – Autodidactic Software Developer

- Completing a professional sabbatical designed to acquire baseline computer science skills required for entry into a computer technology field. Primary focus in full-stack web.
- Deployed [portfolio website](#) and releasing iterative updates. Technologies utilized include Jekyll, Liquid, html/css and jQuery. Hosted on GitHub pages with custom domain via DNS configuration
- Building [dynamic web application](#) (hosted on Heroku's free tier, which requires a server instance to spin up from suspended state, so it might take a few seconds for the site to initially load) using React, node.js, Express, pug, bootstrap, REST API, and PostgreSQL. The concept for the application is to serve as a companion app for a video game, allowing for advanced search of game events. Source code GitHub repo [here](#)

Topics Studied:

CS fundamentals: Algorithms, data types and structures, time/space efficiency (big-O), object-oriented design patterns

Languages/Programming: JavaScript, TypeScript, node.js

Web Development: HTML, CSS, SCSS, jQuery, React, Bootstrap, Angular (2+), Jekyll, Liquid, Express, Heroku

Data/Database: MySQL, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, Access, database design, some Firebase and semi-structured file/object protocols (JSON/YML/XML)

General Computing/other tools: Windows/Mac/Linux, user permissions, server configuration, package management, Agile/XP, Bash, SQL, Virtual Box, Docker, network protocols, DNS, build/deployment, GitHub, git, vim, VS Code, WordPress, PHP, Apache, Browser Dev Tools, Google Analytics, jest, MySQLWorkbench

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT:

Exceptional track record as high-value team member in a variety of industries and domains. Demonstrated versatility and adaptability through dynamic roles in diverse business environments.

11/2017-04/2018 – Contract Recruiter – TOMS – Playa Vista, CA

- Contract through ManageRight/Distinctive Workforce Solutions Inc. – Boca Raton, FL / Payroll through Employer Solutions Staffing Group II – Eden Prairie, MN (reason for leaving: It was a 4-month contract initially. I was extended a few weeks past the original contract end, then on good terms and with ample notice, decided to leave in order to move forward with my career transition)

10/2016-11/2017 – Talent Acquisition Business Partner – Northrop Grumman Corporation – El Segundo, CA

- Contract and payroll through Enterprise Resource Services, Inc. – El Segundo, CA

09/2014-10/2016 – Technical Recruiter – Odesus – Los Angeles, CA

- Direct Employee

06/2013-07/2014 - Senior Technical Recruiter - Robert Half Technology - Los Angeles, CA

- Direct Employee

05/2010-06/2013 – Coordinator -> Manager, Artist and Career Services: Musicians Institute – Hollywood, CA

- Direct Employee

ADDITIONAL SKILLS: MS Office (Access, Excel, Outlook, Word, PowerPoint, OneNote), Google Sketchup, markdown, Google Docs, Adobe Photoshop/ Illustrator, Avid Pro Tools, Ableton Live, A/V production, Parallels, making music playlists, cycling, snowboarding, automotive mechanics, electrical soldering, general construction, camping, typing, 10-key, computer building and repair, singing, guitar and drums