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Web Engineer

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Willing to  
relocate

**About:** I'm an experienced web developer looking to advance my career. I want to help build a product where a clear vision and a talented group of people executing on that vision produces software that helps millions of people. I want to help solve challenging problems. I'm learning to ask better questions. I hope to work with and learn from other skilled engineers in order to deepen my programming skills and learn new ways of solving problems.

## OVERVIEW

I place a strong emphasis on writing testable code that's intended to be consumed by other developers.

I value readable code and I'm always in search of more elegant solutions.

I enjoy learning new programming languages and at becoming more adept with languages that I'm familiar with.

I'm accustomed to shipping software using an agile methodology and scrum process.

I possess practical knowledge of relational databases, distributed memory caches, and other technologies used to build modern, scalable web applications.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### 2008 - PRESENT

RightNow Technologies (Acquired by Oracle, 2012) - Bozeman, MT

#### Web Developer

I'm a member on a team that builds a web platform powering many big-time customer support websites. This product is a hosted, PHP-based application framework that provides a rich set of default features—aimed at support users—that's designed to work well for most businesses from the start. But the developer framework provides a great deal of APIs so that businesses can customize the support experience they provide to better suit specific business needs or user goals.

#### Overview

I have experience building developer-facing framework APIs in PHP and JavaScript.

I've also built a number of enduser-facing features comprised of PHP, JavaScript, and CSS components.

I help instruct customers / platform developers via an online forum.

I'm a 3-time RightNow-Oracle development hackathon winner (1 solo, 2 team).

I've given talks at multiple developer conferences (2010 & 2011 RightNow Developers Conference) as well as several talks internal to the organization.

### 2007

Computers Unlimited - Billings, MT

#### Intern

I worked within a team building pharmaceutical inventory management software.

#### Overview

My responsibilities involved fixing bugs and developing several minor features in a mature application.

This required learning a new programming language and new development practices.

## SIDE PROJECTS



These are some things I've built to scratch an itch and to explore technologies outside the purview of what I'd see at work.

[CatchLater](http://catchlater.com) (<http://catchlater.com>)

Web app to stash off online videos (Youtube, Vimeo, TED, etc.) for watching later.

→ Built using Rails and MongoDB.

[TweetStasher](http://tweetstasher.com) (<http://tweetstasher.com>)

Simple web app to save off drafts of tweets to post later.

→ Small NodeJS app built with Express, Backbone, and CouchDB.

[Colorant](http://colorantapp.com) (<http://colorantapp.com>)

Niche iPhone app to inspect colors in photos with a color picker.

→ Built with pure Objective-C and UIKit APIs.

## EDUCATION



**MAY 2008**

→ Bachelor of Science, Computer Science  
*With Honors (3.65+ GPA)*

**Montana State University**

## SKILLS



### Languages

JavaScript  
PHP  
Ruby  
Objective-C  
C#  
Python  
Java  
C

### Experience with the following frameworks & technologies

CodeIgniter  
Rails  
Sinatra  
Backbone  
YUI  
jQuery  
Express  
Apache & Nginx  
MySQL  
Redis and memcached  
MongoDB  
CouchDB  
LESS, SASS, vanilla CSS

### Areas of Expertise

Highly-skilled in front-end web development techniques such as:

Modern JavaScript applications  
CSS (CSS3 as well as preprocessor frameworks)  
HTML5 elements and modern browser APIs  
Web page accessibility (supporting JAWS and Voiceover screen readers)  
Responsive web design as well as websites designed specifically for mobile devices

I would love to work with you.



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