# **Christian Chicas**

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#### PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Recent hands-on experience in the NJIT Software Development program in Python, JavaScript/Node.js, React, and some overall front-end and back-end programming. Eager to continue to learn more and grow regarding programming and the tools required. Very focused when working on multiple projects and motivated to see them fully completed.

#### **EDUCATION**

New Jersey Institute of Technology

Newark, NJ

**Software Development Certificate** 

October 2021-July 2022

Courses: Front-End Development, Back-End Development, Software Engineering

Montclair University

Montclair, NJ

**Computer Science and General Education courses taken** 

August 2018 and April 2021

# **SKILLS PROFILE**

Development Technologies: Python, Java, Spring Boot, JavaScript (Node.js), TypeScript, React, Redux, Express,

HTML, CSS, SQL

Databases: MongoDB, PostgreSQL

Personal Skills: Strong Communication, Time Management, Teamwork and Independent work, Active Listener,

Observant, Patient

# **PROJECT EXPERIENCE**

**TechKnows** | NJIT | https://github.com/ChrisChicas/TechKnows

July 2022

- Participated with a group in creating a technology-based article app with a front-end React app and a back-end Express app that connects to a Postgres database.
- Applied many features to the app, including responsive styling, secure signup/login functionality, role-based CRUD authorization, pagination, and filtering data by tags using search queries.

#### Python-Treasure-Chest | https://github.com/ChrisChicas/Python-Treasure-Chest

November-December 2022

- Wrote a monolithic Python and Flask password manager/overall information storage app that implemented user authentication/authorization, password hashing, session functionality, and CRUD operations.
- Connected and updated a Postgres database with tables and formed relationships between them as required.

#### **Favorite-Movies** | https://github.com/ChrisChicas/Favorite-Movies

December 2022

- Worked on a decoupled favorite movies list app with Spring Boot and a PostgreSQL database for the back-end and a React front-end.
- Ensured the application included CRUD routes that manipulated/retrieved data from the database and displayed that data properly on React.

#### ADDITIONAL TRAINING OR EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

HackerRank August 2022-Present

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Target, North Bergen, NJ

June 2019-December 2019

#### **Guest Advocate**

Developed customer service & organizational skills by, managing cash registers and processing transactions, providing solutions and alternatives to customer problems, and organizing workstations frequently, including handling customer returns and general forgotten/unwanted items.

- Created a positive customer experience by utilizing an empathetic approach, patience, and active listening to
  understand the customer's concerns and situation, allowing for timely and effective resolution, thus increasing
  customer satisfaction and loyalty.
- Validated and managed customer returns by inspecting merchandise while maintaining and organizing inventory in appropriate locations, decreasing loss and shrinkage.
- Ability to turn negative customer experiences around by remaining calm and positive under pressure and actively listening to customers' concerns while providing quick resolutions.
- Communicated and collaborated with a team to ensure a seamless workflow, and positive customer/work experience.

Town of West New York, West New York, NJ

June 2017-September 2018

# **Summer Camp Counselor** | Seasonal

Exercised strong teamwork & communication skills by communicating with other camp counselors to plan/organize daily activities, resolving any issues between campers, and working to ensure everything ran smoothly day-to-day.

- Oversaw and instructed campers during activities ensuring a safe and fun environment.
- Offered a welcoming approach while exercising patience and active listening when handling campers' concerns.
- Ensured campers followed the schedule and were where they needed to be by keeping them focused on activities.
- Organized and sanitized activity areas to prepare for campers, thus creating a clean and safe environment.