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## Summary

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Full-stack software engineering graduate from General Assembly with a focus on front-end, looking to pivot into a junior developer role. Have experience in music production, and also previously worked as a chef in high-end restaurants in Los Angeles and Napa Valley for many years, and as a result understand how to deliver consistently under pressure.

## Skills

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**Programming Languages & Markup:** JavaScript | Python | HTML | CSS3 | SASS

**Libraries & Frameworks:** React Js | Node.JS | Express | Django | jQuery | Bootstrap

**Databases:** MongoDB/Mongoose | MVC | REST | CRUD

**Patterns:** MVC | REST | CRUD

**Music Production:** Ableton Live | Mixing & Mastering | Sound Design

## Projects

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**Party Bucket List** Dec 2020 | Tech: MongoDB, Express, React Js, Node.Js

- App that gives partygoers the ability to post parties that either they have attended or want to attend. Adopted NoSQL database to ensure high-performance at scale.
- Designed and implemented a RESTful API with express, and deployed to Heroku, which is a good fit for serverless scalable infrastructure.

**Wayfarer** - Nov 2020 | Tech: Python, Django, PostgreSQL, SASS

- Wayfarer is an app that allows travelers to view and chat about different locations that they have visited. All in a style that resembles a forum.
- Strong focus on the front-end. I wireframed the design and implemented the views using React and SAAS, sourcing data from the Django API into Redux.

**Kitchen Fantasies** - Oct 2020 | Tech: JavaScript, MongoDB, Mongoose, Express

- This application allows users to create and share recipes of their favorite dishes.
- Since Kitchen Fantasies was a collaborative project, my contribution was mainly in the front-end and design.

**Pokémon Tamagotchi** - Sep 2020 | Tech: Javascript, HTML, CSS

- My approach on the classic Tamagotchi game.
- Where I use Vanilla Js, CSS, and DOM manipulation. Users are able to interact with a Pokemon character. Learned the trade-offs between adopting VanillaJS versus using a framework, and when it is appropriate to do so.

## Work Experience

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**Sous Chef** - *Press, Broken Spanish, Short Cake, Lazy Ox*

2015 - 2020 // Los Angeles & Napa Valley, Ca

- Train staff to accurately follow techniques and procedures while maintaining high standards
- Adhering to companies ethos and culture

## Education

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**General Assembly** - *Software Engineering Immersive*

December 2020 // Los Angeles, Ca

- Graduated from General Assembly's 12-week immersive coding bootcamp. This is where I obtained a great foundation on programming