ALEC ORTEGA
FRONT-END DEVELOPER

EXPERIENCE

Software Engineering Intern   10/14 - Present
WeSpire - Boston, MA

• Leading research on front-end frameworks including Meteor, Angular, React, Backbone and Ember for use in a brand new stack. Aiding in the subsequent implementation of the chosen framework.

• Develop new features in small, fast-moving teams and go through an iterative process of ideation, design, implementation, and evaluation. I serve as the front-end engineer within these teams.

• Produce working prototypes of formulated solutions and present to team leaders, customers, and stakeholders for evaluation and feedback.

• Within the context of our current Ruby on Rails application I most commonly use JavaScript, Coffeescript, jQuery, Bootstrap, Foundation, Sass, Haml, SQL, and Ruby, all of which I have learned since starting.

Tech and Creative Intern   4/14 - 10/14
MassChallenge - Boston, MA

• Personally ran 1500+ ft of CAT5 cable across the new office space, crimped 30+ ethernet ports, patched down cables into the patch panel, connected each cable from the patch panel to the switch ports, and set up the IT rack. Undertaking this process internally saved the organization over $60,000.

• Leveraging my design skill set, I became a point of reference for review of internal and external branding material before it was released. Led design initiatives and created branding material that was released to 10,000+ community members, mentors, finalists, judges, and keynote speakers.

• Closely supported 100+ startups and connected them to resources vital to their success and acceleration from a technical standpoint.

Furniture Sales Associate and Designer   10/12 - 1/14
Crate & Barrel - Los Angeles, CA

• Helped hundreds of clients realize their vision, designed collections with both in-house and custom pieces of furniture, art, and accessories that not only resulted in a room, but an experience they could empathize with.

• Was consistently the top commissioned seller at location on a bi-monthly basis with 30+ recurring clients.

• In a 7 month period, sales totaled over $600,000 with largest single transaction totaling over $31,000.

• Received two promotions within 3 months to achieve position, afterwards the location saw a 20% increase in total sales.

VOLUNTEERING

Mentor
Resilient Coders

A volunteer-based program that "hacks" the opportunity gap by focusing on making web technology more available to urban youth from traditionally under-served communities who might not otherwise be exposed to it.
I mentor kids aged 14-20 every Tuesday and Thursday in front-end development and UI/ UX design using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript.

EDUCATION

Suffolk University
B.S. Computer Science
May 2016

SKILLS

Programming Languages: JavaScript, HTML5, Jade, Haml, CSS3, Sass, Scss, Ruby, Python, Java

Frameworks & Libraries: Ruby on Rails, Node.js, Express, Bootstrap, Foundation, jQuery, GSAP

Tools & Platforms: Git, BrowserStack, Heroku, Grunt, Gulp, Bower, Yeoman

Software: Sketch 3, Photoshop, Illustrator, Sublime Text, JetBrains IDEs, Chrome DevTools

INTERESTS

• Endlessly scrolling through Dribbble

• Consuming copious amounts of coffee

• Corgis