

# KURT KRAFFT

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

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## EDUCATION

### PYTHON/DJANGO

Nashville Software School  
Jan 2020 - Present

### BACHELOR OF SCIENCE, MAJOR IN PHILOSOPHY

Belmont University | 2016  
minor in Music Business

### GED

Battle Ground Academy  
2012

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

HTML5  
CSS3  
JavaScript  
React  
Python  
Django  
Semantic UI  
Photoshop  
Inventory Management  
Word/PowerPoint/Excel  
Social Media Platforms

## PROJECTS

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## ABOUT

I first started my coding journey halfway through 2019. At the time I was pursuing dreams of music, but was also in a transformative time in my life. I decided to give website development a shot because I knew I wanted something creative but also challenging. I started doing 1 hour a day of coding in August 2019 and I enjoyed it. It wasn't until I first started at Nashville Software School where that enjoyment became genuine interest and passion. Nashville Software School has made such a profound impact on my life. The amount I learned in 6 months is truly astonishing. I have learned to code so many amazing websites, improved my already strong skills as a leader, but also increased my skill level as a follower. I enjoy the challenge of class, but am eager to see the challenges that lie ahead.

## TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

### NASHVILLE SOFTWARE SCHOOL

NSS | January 2020 - Present

- Had little experience coding in the beginning, but surprised myself with how quickly I learned and excelled in most fields
  - design: Using just basic CSS was able to create user friendly Navbars, forms, modals, and multiple aspects of websites. Then, to further my abilities I learned basic Bootstrap, and Semantic UI to make my design capabilities more efficient.
  - logic: Due to my background in philosophy following complex patterns and logic came natural. Object oriented JavaScript/Python came easily me as did function/component based libraries like React. This knowledge enabled me to not only replicate what I was being taught but truly understand the inner workings of what was being taught as well. It also allowed me to see what I was working on from multiple different layers. From immediate line by line entanglement to big picture codependency.
- Found my calling in group projects, either as a leader or as a teammate working together was the environment I thrived in. I learned about SCRUM method and using Github with others. We had almost 10 group projects and I would say each of my groups performed in the top 10% of the class.
  - I was personally a leader in many groups, as well as a strong teammate. When I knew solutions to problems I made sure to use a socratic method of learning and lead my peers to the answer as opposed to just giving the answers away.
- Typically, NSS is a 6 month hands on bootcamp, however, at the halfway point we switched to remote due to COVID-19. I found myself still exceeding my own expectations. I thought I would suffer from the solidarity, but I found that I was able to still maintain a high level of quality.
- Completed a minimalistic instagram clone application using CSS3, Semantic UI, React, and Javascript. It was a solo project that was fun to do. I was specifically trying to use modals. This app was made to remove all the malarkey from Instagram and bring it back to its roots. Sharing photos you are proud of.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### BAR MANAGER

Fat Bottom Brewing Co. | May 2017-March 2020

- Started as a server in May 2017 but due to my high personal skills and ability to quickly and efficiently handle high pressure situations I advanced to bartender, then bar manager.
- Maintained and oversaw quality and consistency amongst the bar staff. While also ensuring a standard of customer service
- Initiated a transfer to from a standard service model to a bar service model which increased our maximum capacity for business, and in turn a higher customer turnover and general enjoyment.
- Started a new training system for all Front of House staff members, and communicated day to day operation questions and concerns from employees to upper management.
- Aided other managers in restaurant quality and cleanliness (100 on bar health inspection)

### MEMBERSHIP CONNECTOR

YMCA | May 2016- March 2017

- Started my strong foundation in customer service and improved my naturally strong personal skills
- Performed a wide array of duties from scanning cards, to tours, to asking people to leave at the end of the night
- Helped with outreach to the mentally handicapped and disabled

### MUSICIAN

Nashville | Jan 2010 - August 2019

- Played music in a wide range of bands across the country.
- Formed strong group skills. Taught me about compromise and leading. Sometimes you have to put your foot down and others you need to listen.
- Learned social media and marketing skills to promote bands
  - We successfully did a marketing campaign resulting in a slot at Bonnaroo 2013
  - Also played 2019 Live on the Green
- Gained mild photography knowledge and tour management skills
- If anything this shows my ability to pick complex patterns
  - Played Live on the Green 2019 with a band and only 3 practices prior