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SKILLS

Languages: CSS3, HTML5, Java, JavaScript, Python, Jinja, JSX

Frameworks / Libraries: Express, Flask, React, Vue, Bootstrap

Databases: NoSQL, PostgreSQL, REST API's, Firebase, MongoDB

Tools: Git, Git Pages, Heroku

Learning Management Systems: Blackboard, BrightSpace, Pearson

Leadership: 90+ direct reports scored me between Outstanding (1) and Good (2) across 9 annual evaluations in these areas:

- Human relationships (1.5)
- Democratic process (2.0)
- Integrity (1.5)
- Work ethic (1.0)
- Organization (1.5)
- Problem Solving (1.8)
- Following protocol (1.7)
- Loyalty to organization (1.5)
- Communication (1.8)
- Fiscal management (1.5)
- Redemptive grace (1.8)
- Tough decision-making (1.7)

EDUCATION

Evangel University:
BA English

University of Wisconsin - Madison:
MA English

Indiana University - Bloomington:
PhD Literature

LANGUAGES

English, French, German, Latin
Ancient Hebrew, Old English
Old English

PERSONAL PROJECTS

Bird on the Brain App (Full-Stack Flask App for Birders)

- Designed secure registration/login capabilities with flash messages to improve UX.
- Deployed Python-backend, using Flask framework, to provide birders with ability to post bird sightings to interconnected annual and lifetime lists.
- Included backend API, allowing users to query their own and other users' data by username, bird name, date, and location of sighting, employing a PostgreSQL database.
- Provided access to Cornell's crowd-sourced, international eBird database, delivering bird sighting searches by state, county, and date-range, using RESTful API's.
- Designed robust social media component, allowing users to post, check their feeds, search for users, and follow other users.
- Deployed Jinja, HTML5, and CSS3 to poke fun at birders' arch-enemies, cats, through API calls to cat-fact and cat-pic endpoints.

Bird Brain Philanthropy (Full-Stack React App – Riff on eCommerce Site)

- Built pledge page as equivalent of eCommerce shop page.
- Designed multi-function cart page with responsive messaging and easy ability to increase/decrease item quantity, delete item, and clear cart.
- Configured component navigation using BrowserRouter.
- Executed API calls to PostgreSQL database via Flask backend.
- Enabled navbar widget showing/updating current pledge/donation totals for better UX.
- Leveraged RESTful API calls to public cat-fact and cat-pic endpoints to provide levity.

Accreditation Website

Facilitated Oklahoma Wesleyan University's 10-year re-accreditation by modeling, building, and maintaining online document archives, using Dreamweaver, HTML, and CSS.

EXPERIENCE

Professor of English: Indiana Wesleyan University (2014 - 2022)

- Verbal Communication: Explained complex composition and literary interpretation concepts to college students (with an average of 8th-grade reading skills) via verbal and written communication.
- Analysis: Taught students ability to analyze, synthesize, and communicate in writing.
- Written Communication: Wrote, deployed, and delivered courses on three learning management systems.
- Data-Driven Continuous Improvement: Regularly reviewed direct measures (student learning outcomes) and indirect measures (student evaluations), resulting in ongoing improvements to teaching and curriculum.
- Quality Assurance: Designed and deployed system for observing/evaluating adjunct faculty, resulting in improved teaching & dismissal of 30% of underperforming adjuncts.

Dean: Indiana Wesleyan University (2010 - 2014)

- Secured \$500,000+ via creative fundraising programs.
- Created, secured approval for, and deployed strategic plans and new academic majors, while collaboratively constructing and managing \$100,000+ budgets.
- Set annual diversity hiring records via aggressive research and creative advertising.

Academic & Enrollment Vice President: Emmanuel College (2005 - 2010)

- Broke records for student recruitment (by 26 percentage points) and retention (by 10 percentage points) through effective data analysis, UX, and marketing.
- Leveraged thousands of dollars in federal loans and grants for students at EC (and 2 other universities) by ensuring full regional and professional accreditations.