

Jason McVicar

Profile

My goal is to join a great team of software engineers so I can learn and grow alongside them while contributing and developing my unique problem-solving capabilities in computer science.

Experience

Reserve Bar Barista, Starbucks; Chicago, Illinois – 2007-Present

I began working at Starbucks as a way to support my freelance cartooning career, and because I love coffee and making people happy. I worked for a year in Michigan before transferring to work as lead barista in the Chicago flagship store's upper-level Reserve Bar. I was responsible for overseeing customer experience, developing new drinks, performing coffee-tastings and pushing the inclusive third place experience to all patrons of the Gold Coast location.

Cartoonist, City Pulse; Lansing, Michigan – 2007-2009

I produced a weekly comic strip that I both wrote and drew. I worked with advertising and layout to enhance the paper's visual appeal and contribute graphic content.

Advertising Account Executive, City Pulse; Lansing, Michigan – 2007

I hired into this locally-owned, independent newspaper to sell advertising space. I worked closely with businesses to develop advertising campaigns and strategies in order to effectively reach readers in the metropolitan area. I created copy and worked with layout to produce a stylish and substantive newspaper.

Training Coordinator, Protocol; Lansing, Michigan - 2000-2006

After working phone sales for my first year at this infomercial marketing firm, I was promoted to lead Training Coordinator where I worked alongside Human Resources and Operations to develop and implement training protocols. I oversaw new hire development, while working closely (and performing) Quality Assurance. I was also responsible for training seasoned sales agents on new products.

Education

Rithm School, San Francisco, CA - Software Engineering

Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI - Communications B.A.

Skills

I'm strongly versed in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript. I enjoy problem-solving and working with, and listening, to customers. Assessing needs and creating dynamic solutions is where I excel.

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