# Luke Persola

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### **Education and Training**

App Academy March – May 2013

- Intensive 9-week developer bootcamp
- In-depth study of RoR and JS, introductions to many other topics
- 730 hours of practice and instruction
- Pair programming and solo work
- Capstone project: Language Learning Commons
  - o Built with Rails and Backbone
  - First used, then removed and rewrote aspects of the JavaScript library Rangy

The Pennsylvania State University

May 2012

- Honors in Anthropology
- Minor in Neuroscience
- Paterno Liberal Arts Undergraduate Fellow

Nanzan University, Nagoya, Japan

Dec 2010

• IES Abroad Nagova Intensive Japanese Program (3 months)

#### Skills

#### Skilled at: Familiar with:

- Ruby on Rails
- JavaScript
- Backbone.js

- HTML5/CSS3
- Twitter Bootstrap
- Git
- Unix shell

- SQL
- Rspec, Jasmine, & Capybara
- TDD

## **Work Experience**

Puts Lab, Department of Anthropology, Penn State U.

May 2010 - May 2012

- Project Leader and Research Assistant
  - Adapted software elements to produce the environment for a novel psychological experiment, and trained and oversaw 15 other research experiments in their use.
  - Over the course of a year, designed, obtained regulatory approval for, prepared in detail for, and published the results of this experiment.

Central PA Community Housing, State College, PA

May 2011 – Aug 2012

- Member and Treasurer
  - Managed the finances of a non-profit business with monthly cash flow of over \$8000.
  - Initiated a record system and resolved thousands of dollars of backlogged receivables.