

Lianna Newman

Full-Stack Web Developer

PROFILE

I'm passionate about technology and am seeking an exciting career as a full-stack web developer. After trying my hand in HR and Apple Retail, I began my coding journey in 2014 and found my passion in web development. As a robotics hobbyist and technology enthusiast, I'm excited to move into a career that allows me to foster my interest and expand my skills. I've been learning a lot in the Actualize program, including team coding skills, and am looking forward to working for an organization that will allow me to learn, grow, and contribute to the ever-growing tech industry.

PROJECTS

Expecto Hire

Expecto Hire is an applicant-tracking system for small businesses and nonprofits, designed to take the arbitrariness out of recruiting. Expecto Hire allows users to create job postings, collect applications, sort through candidates, and communicate with each other, as well as make recommendations to hiring personnel regarding which candidates should be hired based on entered interview feedback and specific job requirements. Expecto Hire was built using Ruby on Rails, JavaScript and AngularJS, with Postgres to store data. My inspiration for this app comes from my previous experience in an HR recruiting role at a nonprofit with a limited budget, which meant I spent over three years without the much-needed assistance of an ATS. The difficulty of making a decision with so many qualified candidates was the inspiration for the applicant recommendation feature.

EXPERIENCE

Full-Stack Web Developer-In-Training

Actualize | New York, NY | 2016 - Present

- 15-week full-stack web development training learning Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, etc.
- Worked in teams, learned to pair program, and completed daily coding exercises
- Built a fully functional web app, Expecto Hire, from scratch

Human Resources Specialist, People & Culture

StoryCorps | Brooklyn, NY | 2013 - 2016

- Introduced technological solutions to improve HR processes
- Coordinated employee onboarding, orientation, and training activities
- Ensured recruitment and retention of diverse staff and interns
- Wrote job descriptions and posted job openings using WordPress and to external sites
- Updated and executed coordination process for semi-annual, two-week-long facilitator training

Specialist, Mentor

Apple, Inc. | New York, NY | 2011 - 2013

- Developed technical solutions based on customers' specific needs
- Designed training and support services for Apple enthusiasts
- Promoted to Mentor to teach other specialists and new hires
- Assisted in troubleshooting customers' devices including iPads, iPods, iPhones & Macs

SKILLS

JavaScript
Ruby
Rails
HTML
CSS
Git
AngularJS
Postgres
SQL
Google Apps
MS Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel)
Mac OSX, Windows 2000/XP/10, iOS

EDUCATION

Actualize

Full-Stack Web Developer | 2016

The Pennsylvania State University

Communications (Media Studies)
Minor: German | 2010

COMMUNITY

All Stars Project

Worked in media/video department using Final Cut Pro to create film projects; converted outdated video formats to new formats.
2010 - 2011

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