In 2010, I decided to attend Harrisburg Area Community College in order to earn an Associates’ Degree in Web Development. At that point, I had spent 15 years in the legal field and I wanted to learn a new skill set.

At that time, I never realized how much I would enjoy learning about all things technical. I am an avid reader and found that it is a good habit to have in the IT field. With technology constantly changing and growing, I believe that keeping up with the new advances is vital to being successful in this field.

I worked full-time while attending my classes part-time at HACC. Each semester I earned recognition by being awarded a spot on the Dean’s List. As well, I was invited to join Phi Theta Kappa, which is an Honor Society for two-year colleges.

In 2013, I started a student worker position at HACC and worked side-by-side with HACC’s web site administrator. I was grateful for the position because at that point, HACC was revamping their entire website. It meant that I would have a front row seat to observe all that is necessary in undertaking such a massive website improvement.

In December of 2013, I was hired by Compworks as an intern to take part in a web application development for Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission. I still maintained my student worker position at HACC, while simultaneously working at PA Fish and Boat on their web application.

I recognized what a great opportunity both of these positions held. At one job, I was dealing with websites and content management systems. At the other job, web application development, creating user manuals and attending meetings to gauge progress.

In March of 2014, Computer Aid, Inc. (Compwork’s parent company) offered me a job as a Business Analyst, upon my graduation from college.

In September of 2014, I started classes at Elizabethtown College in order to earn my Bachelor’s Degree.