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**SKILLS** Python, Jinja, SQLAlchemy, Flask, Scrapy, JavaScript, React, Redux, Express, Sequelize, Cheerio, HTML, Pug, CSS, Amazon Web Services (AWS)

## PROJECTS

**Creepy Crawler** (Python, SQLAlchemy, Flask, JavaScript, React, Redux, Scrapy, HTML, CSS, AWS)

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*search engine and browser, solo project*

- Fielded user search queries through **React** and **Redux** in the frontend to yield quick and efficient results upon user input.
- Utilized **Scrapy framework** to custom build the web crawler and integrated it with **Flask** via **Crochet**, allowing asynchronous requests coming from the frontend to be processed.
- Parsed date and time data using **regex**, spanning **JavaScript** and **Python** flavors, providing the user with a precise history log.

**Erudite** (JavaScript, React, Redux, Express, Sequelize, Cheerio, HTML, CSS)

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*song lyrics finder, solo project*

- Used **Cheerio framework** to build custom scrapers that fetched and processed **thousands** of lines of seed data from **Genius**.
- Improved overall **UI/UX** of the application through the engineering of dynamic operations using **React** and **Redux**, such as adding and deleting song information.
- Outfitted the application with a song search functionality and a **context menu** with the option to copy any input from a user's added song, all with **native JavaScript**.

**Finstagram** (Python, SQLAlchemy, Flask, JavaScript, React, Redux, HTML, CSS, AWS)

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*Instagram clone, group project*

- Integrated **AWS** and applied extensive use of **React** modals to effectively clone the **UX** of Instagram.
- Undergirded follow/unfollow functionality via one-to-many/many-to-one relationships in the **SQLAlchemy** backend.
- Implemented, with minimal use of external libraries, **pixel perfect** authentication, feed, explore, and profile pages.

**Arcade Academy** (JavaScript, Express, Sequelize, Cheerio, Pug, CSS)

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*video game finder, group project*

- Used **Sequelize**, an ORM, enabling my team to write advanced and consistent **Postgres** queries—to store and manipulate critical data about the user including games they've played and their wishlist.
- Enabled functionality for reviews, search, and interaction between users within games through the use of **Pug** and **Express**.
- Built a crawler with **Cheerio** that traverses a site's links, depth first, and scrapes all crucial seed data for every game genre.

## EDUCATION

**Full-Stack Web Development** – [App Academy](#) | Spring – Winter 2021

*Relevant coursework includes: Object-Oriented Programming (OOP), Test Driven Development (TDD), Coding Best Practices, Systems Design & Architecture, Data Structures and Algorithms (DS & A), Agile/SCRUM Methodologies*

**Bachelor of Arts, English** – [University of California, Riverside](#) | Sept 2017 – Jun 2020

## ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

**Crisis Counselor** - [Inland SoCal United Way](#), United States

July 2020 – Jul 2021

- Honed and leveraged skills in **communication** and **de-escalation**, offering emotional support and assessing **mental health**.
- Exhibited **interpersonal skills** and **multitasking ability** by logging crucial data while mollifying clients in high stress scenarios.

**Undergraduate Research Assistant** - [Kids Interaction and Neurodevelopment \(KIND\) Lab](#), United States

Apr 2018 – Nov 2018

- Made dozens of cold calls daily to the subject database for **recruitment** and handled **scheduling** for lab examinations and MRI visits, requiring verbal clarity and meticulous **time management**.
- Assisted in psychological screenings and evaluations, interviewing subjects and administering the DSM, tasks which necessitated **cultural awareness** and **adherence to protocol**.

**English Teacher** - [Preply](#), Remote

Sep 2020 – Sep 2021

- Adapted teaching style to the needs of **diverse** clientele in a virtual learning environment.

**English/Math Teacher** - [Global Vision Christian School \(GVCS\)](#), Korea

Jul 2018 – Aug 2018

- Taught English at GVCS immersion camp, requiring patience, cultural tolerance, and **comfort in foreign environments**.