Chicago native

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Story teller
Music maker
Animal lover
Hat wearer
Donut eater
Movie watcher
Comedic relief
Irish citizen

MELANIE GASTON

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I'm a software developer by trade, but I work to share stories more than anything else. I am currently honing my coding skills through multiple courses focused on Agile methodologies, UI/UX Design, Testing, Deployment, and more. I am not only learning through coursework, but also through challenging projects and scrum team exercises.

I am adaptable, easygoing, and collaborative, and I believe in the incredible power of human connection. When I see a need, I try to help fulfill it. Technology and the Internet are both powerful tools for shaping our future and I'd like to work to ensure that our world continues to become a more supportive, better educated, and more thoughtful place.

education

JavaScript Cohort

Eleven Fifty Academy, Fishers, IN | March 2019

Bachelor of Arts in Interactive Media with a Minor in Computer Science
Butler University, Indianapolis, IN | May 2017

portfolio

melgaston.github.io

skills

JavaScript
HTML + CSS
React
Bootstrap
Git
Node.js
Angular
C++
JSON
Wordpress
Adobe Suite

Agile Methodologies Public Speaking Team Leadership Client Relations Event Planning

experience

Lead Web Developer | Roundpeg, Inc. | June 2018 - November 2018 **Web Designer** | Roundpeg, Inc. | August 2017 - June 2018

Executed website designs from client discovery meetings to completed, implemented sites. Explored numerous site design options with clients to create a result that best fit the needs of the end user. Collaborated with creative team to ensure brand consistency across all digital channels. Created and edited mock-ups, brand elements, and other digital assets. Worked independently to manage projects and client relations from beginning to end.

Social Media + Communications Coordinator | Seeds of Learning | January - May 2017

Utilized social media platforms to increase awareness for the importance of education in Pakistan. Broadened community outreach to increase education funding for local Indianapolis schools. Curated content and provided digital communication support to further engage donors both online and in-person.

Outreach + Social Engagement Intern | To Write Love on Her Arms | May - August 2016

Studied mental health issues to effectively communicate and empathize. Engaged with supporters and staff through local outreach opportunities. Processed merchandise orders quickly and accurately. Developed global social media connections with a network of past and future staff members.

Resident Assistant + Apartment Community Assistant

Butler University Residence Life | January 2014 - July 2017

Cultivated a sense of community amongst 85+ residents to strengthen student engagement. Facilitated training sessions for both LGBTQ+ issues and suicide prevention. Collaborated with other staff members and student committees to plan and enhance program offerings. Mediated conflicts between residents to maintain harmony within the residence hall.