

# Ryan Christopher Thomas

Full-Stack Web Developer

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Full Stack Junior MERN Developer and former teacher with a passion for coding, learning, teaching, and solving problems. My combined technical and soft skills make me an asset for any team that needs someone flexible and proficient at leading others as well as taking direction. My graduate coursework in learning psychology helps me learn new skills by identifying gaps in my knowledge and efficiently filling those gaps. My training in education and teaching experience gives me a strong foundation for communication. If you want an ambitious, multi-talented hard-worker used to doing more with less, hire me.

## Technical Skills

### Applications/Deployment:

VSCode | Heroku | MySQL  
Workbench | Insomnia

### Languages, Libraries, Frameworks:

Javascript | HTML5 | CSS3 | jQuery | jQueryUI | Bootstrap |  
Handlebars | Node.js | Express.js | Sequelize | Git | SQL

### Concepts: RESTful APIs | MVC

Model | CRUD Operations

## Education and Certifications

Full-Stack MERN Development Bootcamp  
*University of Texas at Austin/Trilogy*

March 2022-June 2022  
**Grade: A+**

M.Ed - Curriculum and Instruction  
*University of Texas at Austin*

August 2014 - June 2016  
**GPA: 4.0**

Bachelor of Arts - Rhetoric and Writing  
*University of Texas at Austin*

August 2006 - June 2010  
**GPA: 3.78**

## Projects

**Pig E-Bank** | Javascript, Handlebars, Express, Sequelize, Node |

[Deployed App](#)

[Github Repo](#)

Allows users to budget by setting direct-deposit income aside in 'pigs' for recurring bills and expenses, and to budget non-recurring expenses like entertainment. All customizable and updated dynamically.

**This Day in History** | Javascript, Dynamic HTML, 3rd-Party APIs |

[Deployed App](#)

[Github Repo](#)

Displays events in history, famous births/deaths, holidays, and NY times bestseller information dynamically based on the date selected by the user. All with a responsive design.

**Tech Blog** | Javascript, Express, Node, Sequelize |

[Deployed App](#)

[Github Repo](#)

Users can sign up, log in, view posts, create/edit/delete their own posts, and comment on posts.

**Employee Tracker** | Javascript, MySQL, Node, Inquirer |

[Github Repo](#)

Terminal based CMS system for managing a company's employees, departments, and roles. Users can add, remove, and modify employees, roles, and departments using the terminal, storing information in a database.

## Recent Professional Experience

Akins Early College High School

August 2016 - March 2022

*English III Team Lead, Teacher*

- **Team Lead:** Managed a team of 4 other teachers, overseeing the design and development of curriculum for all English 3 courses (~650 students/year). Spearheaded pivot to virtual learning in 2020 and led team in creating digital curriculum, assessments, and lessons.
- **Literacy Hub:** Founded the Akins Literacy Hub, a peer-tutoring club based on the Writing Center model championed by The UT Austin Writing Center. Based on research into successful peer-tutoring efforts amongst high schoolers, designed a system focused on fostering student leadership and ownership. After 3 years, secured funding from administration to ensure continued support
- **Core Work:** Taught courses at all high school grade levels, including Reading, English 2, English 3, English 3 OnRamps, and College Readiness. Day-to-day role requires stakeholder management in working with administration and parents, up-to-date knowledge of current education best practices, and prioritizing the needs of hundreds of students per year.

Liquid Litigation Management

June 2012 - August 2014

*Client Services Coordinator*

University of Texas at Austin - Advise TX Program

June 2010 - June 2012

*College Adviser*