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Hardworking web developer that recently earned a certificate in full stack web development from the University of Minnesota, with newly developed skills in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React.js and responsive web design. Effective at combining creativity and problem solving to develop user-friendly applications.

Technical Skills

HTML 5, CSS 3, JavaScript, jQuery, Handlebars, React, Node, Express, Sequelize, MySQL, Mongoose, MongoDB, IndexDB, Bootstrap 4, Visual Studio Code, Git Bash, GitHub, Heroku, Netlify, Auth0, Tailwind

Projects

Cup of Sugar | Live Site: https://bit.ly/3pvKr38 | GitHub Repository: https://bit.ly/2WSMzpC
This web application is a full stack peer to peer rental platform. Users can sign up for a new account with Auth0, which will allow them to see the available items that have been posted to the site and contact the item's owners. The user can also post, update, delete, and view their own items. This website was created with a React and Tailwind.css frontend, and a backend built with Node, Express, MySQL and Sequelize. I built this project with the help of four other contributors in an agile environment utilizing a Trello board. My responsibilities included project management, implementation of authorization, creating React components, writing the API routes which connected our frontend to our MySQL database, deploy the application to Heroku, and connect the database using JawsDB.

Ticket Tracker | Live Site: https://bit.ly/3hpY5SE
This web application is a full stack service desk application which allows users to document issues in a company. Users can track issues by creating, viewing, updating and removing tickets. The technology we used to create this project includes a Handlebars.js and Bootstrap frontend, and a backend created with Node, Express, MySQL and Sequelize. This project was created with the help of four other contributors. My role on this project was to manage the project, write the JavaScript, translate HTML into Handlebars, create the backend, deploy the project on Heroku, and connect the database using JawsDB.

Google Books Search | Live Site: https://bit.ly/38Jceq6

This web application is a full stack application which allows users to search for books and save them to a database. The user is able to search for books using requests sent to the Google Books API, and is able to save books to MongoDB. The technology I used to create this website includes a frontend created with React and Bootstrap, and a backend that consists of Node, Express, MongoDB and Mongoose. I deployed the site to Heroku, and connected the database using Mongo Atlas. This application was based on a project prompt I received from the University of Minnesota's Full Stack Web Development Bootcamp.

Professional Skills

Self Motivated, Time Management, Communication and Presentation Skills, Leadership, Team Oriented, Adaptable, Problem-Solver, Creative, Strong Work Ethic, Attentive to Details

Experience

Neighborhood Resource Officer | City of River Falls | 2013 - Present

- Responsible for project management, event coordination, and web development.
- Created online forms using the CivicPlus platform that allowed residents to submit online reports, apply for residential parking permits, and propose special events.
- Collaborated with different departments in a municipality on a daily basis to resolve city-wide issues such as construction projects, sustainability, and community outreach.
- Organized events that welcomed thousands of people to River Falls which generated revenue for local businesses.
- Promoted from Reserve Officer in 2013, and also from Patrol Officer in 2018.
- Consistently deescalated high stress situations on a daily basis.
- Maintained a professional demeanor when confronted with hostile views.
- Approached individuals and groups with understanding, compassion, empathy, and courtesy.
- Prepared cases for trial and testified in court on a regular basis.

Customer Service Specialist | Shopko, River Falls | 2010-2013

- Responsible for handling difficult transactions and oversight of the checkout area.
- Provided guidance and assistance to lower level employees.
- Resolved customer complaints and handled returns on a daily basis.

Education

Certificate in Full Stack Web Development, University of Minnesota, 2020

Bachelor's Degree of Science, University of Wisconsin-River Falls, 2015

Major: Criminology and Sociology Received Distinction in Sociology Award

Associate's Degree, Chippewa Valley Technical College, 2013

Major: Criminal Justice