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I completed Savvy Coder's Full Stack Web Development Bootcamp November 2022. I earned my associates degree from Central Christian College of Kansas with a 3.9 GPA where I was on the basketball team. I have always had an interest in technology and I love to play video games. My portfolio website (listed above) contains a few of my projects. I have created a full stack SPA in vanilla Javascript and a couple of react projects as well.

About a year ago I started to take an interest in coding. I wanted to build a bot that could help me purchase ultra-rare sneakers. I also gained an interest in the front end and started to take online coding courses to become a full stack web developer in my free time. I learned a lot by myself and started to really enjoy coding. I envisioned a fruitful career in this field. I wanted to take the next step and learn in a more structured environment and try to get job ready. This is what led me to join the Full Stack Web Development bootcamp through Savvy Coders.

Technical Skills

JavaScript, React, HTML, CSS, Node, Express, MongoDB, Axios, Navigo, Restful APIs, API testing with insomnia, Visual Studio Code, Markdown, Git, GitHub, UI/UX, Jira, Agile, SPA's, CRUD Operations, Deploying to Netlify and Heroku.

Education

August 2016 – May 2017 Central Christian College of Kansas Associate of Arts Business Administration

Continuing Education

Savvy Coders Full Stack Web Development Boot Camp – 2022 Agile Certification through ICAgile – 2022

Savvy graduates receive an Agile Fundamentals Certification. They have demonstrated their understanding of the Agile/Scrum Methodology by presenting a final Capstone Project that embodies the methodology and project preparation. The students work in Jira, create User Stories, manage tasks and contributions to Sprints in Jira. They work in teams to plan Sprints, hold daily stand ups to groom the backlog, and participate in weekly Sprint Retrospectives. They work on selected user stories and keep communication flowing to ensure everyone is on the same page for the next increment of work. All project tracking is done in Jira.

Capstone Project

For my capstone I decided to create an application catering to basketball enthusiasts like myself. Some of the technologies used to build my project were: HTML, CSS and Javascript for the front end, Node.JS and express.JS for the backend, MongoDB was used as a database, Netlify was used to host the site online, Heroku was used to make my custom API calls and Insomnia was used to test and make calls to my custom API. The website has a blog feature to debate different basketball topics and voice your opinions. There is a feature where you can compare players and their statistics. The last feature is a ranking feature. With this feature you can rank The NBA's 75th anniversary team. You can view the application below.

View App: https://goattakes.netlify.app/

View Code: https://github.com/Vann-Calhoune/Capstone

Work Experience

Empower Retirement

Participant Services November 2021 - Present

- Assist participants with their retirement accounts.
- Duties include assisting with withdrawals, website assistance, going over their plan and general retirement account questions.