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Languages/libraries

HTML CSS/SCSS Ruby Javascript

jQuery Node

Frameworks

Rails Sinatra

Express

Angular

Databases

SQL/Postgres

Testing

TDD/RSpec

Other technical

HTTP/REST

API

Git/Github

Heroku

Design tools

Photoshop Illustrator InDesign Balsamiq

About me

Global health aficionado and junior full-stack web developer driven to solving critical health and social problems through technology and innovation. Moved by stories of overcoming adversity, discrimination, and missing semicolons. Passionate about bug squashing and code polishing. Ready to take on the world after several years of experience in the non-profit sector and studying/living/traveling between continents. Believer of simple, elegant solutions to complicated, messy problems in both real life and code.

Projects

Claira (claira.herokuapp.com)

What would you want to tell the "you" of ten years from now? Claira is a minimalistic, time capsule-esque app (and Al personality) that allows users to send media-rich letters to themselves in the future.

Tech specs: Ruby on Rails, Javascript, PostgreSQL, Bootstrap.

Notify (notify-eta.herokuapp.com)

Delivery notification app for web and mobile. Notifies customers when deliveries are on their way and notifies drivers if customers are not at home. Tech specs: Ruby on Rails, Javascript, PostgreSQL, Angular.

Peeple (peep-phonebook.herokuapp.com)

A simple non-refreshing phonebook app that can store, retrieve, find and sort through a list of contacts using AJAX calls.

Tech specs: Sinatra, jQuery.

Education

2014 Lighthouse Labs

Immersive 2-month web development bootcamp.

2011-2012 London School of Economics and Political Science

& London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

MSc Health Policy, Planning and Financing. Graduated with Merit.

2006-2010 University of Toronto

BSc Global Health and Psychology. Graduated with High Distinction.

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Skills

Quantitative and qualitative research Data analysis Writing and editing Conference planning Baby sitting

Interests

#health, #design, #socialjustice, #creativewriting, #worldtravel, #zen

Fun facts

My family at home speaks 3 different languages at any given moment

Work experience

Jan '15 - present **Consultant,** *Grantbook*

Providing technical support on Fluxx.io and other softwares to streamline the grant-making process for charitable foundations.

Mar '15 - present **Teaching Assistant,** Lighthouse Labs

Answering questions and providing one-on-one support to students enrolled at Lighthouse Labs regarding Ruby, Javascript and web development in general.

Jun '13 - Aug '14 **Post-Graduate Research Fellow,** Asia Pacific Foundation of Canada, Vancouver

Examined models of health innovation in developing Asian countries and how they can inform Canada's health care system, particularly in improving First Nations health. Provided additional research support for trade and investment issues between Canada and Asia.

Volunteer commitments (highlights)

Mar'14 - present **Organiser,** Hacking Health, Vancouver & Toronto

Secured partnerships, managed mentors and organised meetups to mobilize health and tech professionals to come together and solve front-line health care problems.

Mar'14 - Dec'14 Investigaytor, Community Based Research Centre, Vancouver

Collaborated on a nationwide survey to examine the social determinants of health among gay and bisexual men. Participated in weekly research meetings.

Apr'10 - Sep'11 **Co-Director,** UofT International Health Program, Toronto

Oversaw the operations of a student-led organization that creates opportunities for young people to engage in global health issues. Managed the organization's budget, external relations and charitable status with the CRA. Organized a TEDx event.

May '08 - Jul '08 **Research assistant,** Centre for International Health, Toronto

Travelled to Kep, Cambodia as a member of a water research project. Conducted household surveys about water-related knowledge and analyzed water samples for E. Coli and heavy metal contamination.