

# ZAYD SARRAJ

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## SUMMARY:

Full Stack Web Developer with a knack for understanding the basic mechanisms of complex systems as well as the goals any user wishes to achieve with an application. A student of the world, an engineer at heart, and a tinkerer; prepared to create a solution to any problem and eager to improve upon past solutions that are just average. Researching, learning, and always looking for new technologies and methods to produce perfectionist-level work as efficiently as possible, often with creative features.

## EDUCATION:

**Full Stack Web Development Boot Camp:** George Washington University, Arlington, VA – 2020  
**Bachelor's degree: Biology** - University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA – 2013

## TECHNICAL SKILLS:

**Languages:** JavaScript, jQuery, React, SQL, JSX, JSON, Bootstrap, HTML5, CSS3.

**Applications & Tools:** Node.js, Express, Mongoose, MongoDB, MySQL, SQL, UX, UI, Photoshop, Fusion 360, Maya, Git, GitHub, Heroku, AWS, API development.

## PROJECTS:

**GameNation** | <https://github.com/Zayd-Sarraj/Project-3> | [gamenationapp.herokuapp.com](https://gamenationapp.herokuapp.com)

- This application helps users to browse and/or match with other gamers that share similar gaming interests and styles.
- Users can create intricate profiles and view the profiles and gaming histories of other users.
- Design and development of the full application from scratch.
- Created a custom backend scrubber that saves info from other websites.
- Tech Stack: MongoDB, Express, React, Node.js, Multer, JavaScript, JSX, CSS, Bootstrap, Reactstrap, Heroku deployment.

**Caption Clown** | <https://github.com/Zayd-Sarraj/Project-2> | [cap-clown.herokuapp.com](https://cap-clown.herokuapp.com)

- This is a fun and creative application in which users post images and captions, vying to create the funniest captions for a given image. Observers can vote on captions to increase the author's score.
- Project leader; design of the concept, setup of the database, development of the back and front-end code. Coordination of group members and integration of Multer + CSS styling into the main project.
- Tech Stack: SQL, Express, Handlebars.js, Node.js, Multer, JavaScript, HTML, CSS (Bootstrap), GitHub Kanban, Heroku Deployment.

**Topiks** | <https://github.com/Zayd-Sarraj/Project-1> | [zayd.sarraj.github.io/Project-1/](https://zayd.sarraj.github.io/Project-1/)

- This application aggregates news, stories, and videos from around the web based on a user selected topic.
- Project leader: conceptualization of the idea, location of APIs to work with, creation of back end and front end.

- Coordination of group members and integration of CSS styles made by team members.
- Tech Stack: JavaScript, HTML, CSS (Bulma), jQuery, Ajax.

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE:**

##### **Search Engine Evaluator, Fairfax, VA**

**Leapforce**

**2013 – 2014**

**ZeroChaos**

**2015 – 2017**

**Lionbridge**

**2015 – 2020**

- Evaluated the performance and UX design of a very broad group of online services including websites, applications, businesses, brands, publishers, and social media platforms.
- Inspected and modified HTML/JS elements in order to completely evaluate websites and web apps.
- Determined client goals and evaluated Google search engine's utility when serving information, websites, or services to achieve that goal.
- Wrote detail-focused reports analyzing client intent, content served, and extent to which client needs were satisfied. (analyzing the quality, value, and reliability of websites and other online services.)
- Developed a reliable and effective remote-work schedule and lifestyle.

#### **Key Accomplishments:**

- Awarded a 'rater of the month' bonus 6 times, achieved Senior Rater (highest position)