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TECHNOLOGIES

JavaScript
Ruby
Rails
Node
Express
Angular
jQuery
CSS
HTML
PostgreSQL
MongoDB
RSpec
Git

STRENGTHS

Writing
Presenting
Research
Mentoring
Adapting messages to
different audiences

EDUCATION

**Galvanize Full Stack
(gSchool)**, Boulder, CO
(July 2015)

M.A. in English,
University of Colorado,
Boulder, CO (2010)

B.A in English,
Pomona College,
Claremont, CA (2004)

Amy M. Bertken



Full Stack Web Developer

PROJECTS

WordsWithCharles

[GitHub](#) | [Live Site](#)

Words with Charles functions as both a dictionary and a literary research tool. A searches for a word and the app returns every paragraph containing that word from the complete works of Charles Dickens along with a definition and some statistics on Dickens' usage. Built in **JavaScript** using **Node**, **Express**, **PostgreSQL**, and **Angular**. Adaptation of Dickens' works to the SQL database required some **Python**.

InstagrAlbums

[GitHub](#) | [Live Site](#)

InstagrAlbums allows users to search Instagram images by current location, returning a slideshow of up to 30 images taken within 30 meters. The user can then click on an image to save it to an album for later use. Built in **Ruby on Rails** with a **PostgreSQL** database, the site also uses **jQuery** and Instagram **OAuth**.

BlogReader

[GitHub](#)

This app grabs a semester's worth of my students' weekly blog posts via the WordPress.com API and presents data—including unique words used, Flesch-Kincaid grade level, and blog post length—for both individual students and for the class as a whole. The app uses the **WordPress.com API**, **Ruby**, **Rails**, **PostgreSQL**, and **Bootstrap**.

EXPERIENCE

Program for Writing and Rhetoric, University of Colorado Jan. 2007 – Dec. 2014
Full-Time Lecturer, Graduate Part-Time Instructor, Writing Center Consultant

- Developed curricula for 6 courses, including [Writing on Science and Society](#), [American Satire](#), [First Year Writing and Rhetoric](#), and [Sports and American Culture](#) (links are to course websites); actively revised curricula based on student feedback/performance, both on the fly and for each subsequent semester.
- Advised, assessed, and managed ~80 students every semester (~700 students across 14 semesters), including 24-7 email availability and 3+ weekly office hours.
- Used new technologies and innovative pedagogical practices, including, in Spring 2014, building and using a program to automate peer feedback using JavaScript, Google Scripts and Google Forms.
- Presented "Redefining Student Writing: Collaborative Identities and Digital Spaces," at the Conference on College Composition and Communication (CCCC) in Saint Louis, MO, March 2012.