

Abel Sila

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Purpose-driven software engineer who loves using technology to solve real problems and make a meaningful difference. I bring a unique mix of customer service, retail, and web development experience, which helps me collaborate well with others, stay adaptable, and approach challenges with empathy and creativity. I enjoy building user-centered digital experiences and constantly learning through hands-on projects. My work focuses on creating scalable, reliable applications with strong attention to performance, accessibility, and overall user experience. I'm committed to building software that genuinely helps people, and I hope to eventually mentor new developers and give back to the community that helped shape me.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Languages & Fundamentals:** JavaScript (ES6+), TypeScript, Python (familiarity), Data Structures, Algorithms, Design Patterns, OOP
- **Frontend:** React, Next.js, HTML5, CSS3, Component Architecture, Responsive Design, Accessibility (WCAG)
- **Backend:** REST APIs, Node.js, Express.js, Microservices Concepts, Domain-Driven Design (familiarity), Event-Driven Patterns (academic exposure)
- **CMS:** Shopify, Squarespace, WordPress, Wix, Webflow
- **Cloud & DevOps:** AWS (basics), CI/CD Concepts, Infrastructure-as-Code (intro), Git/GitHub, Docker (familiarity)
- **Other:** UX Principles, API-First Design, Data-Driven Interfaces, AI/ML Interest, Agile/Scrum Collaboration

CERTIFICATIONS

Software Engineering Program Certificate – Per Scholas

EDUCATION/TRAINING

Per Scholas, Software Engineer,

August 2025 – December 2025

Bachelor's Degree – California State University, Northridge,

May 2011

PROJECTS

[Jazzmyn Apothecary](#) ([FullStack Web App](#))

- Built a modular, API-driven Next.js application with React components, authentication, and real-time data retrieval using Appwrite. Applied REST architecture, cloud deployment practices, and component-based design.

[Task Master Manager](#) ([FullStack Web App](#))

- Created a project and task management tool using React, Node.js, and REST APIs with full CRUD operations, scalable UI patterns, and documented component architecture.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Web Developer and SEO Specialist – Hope Creative Agency, Los Angeles, CA | Dec 2018 – Present

- Developed responsive, accessible, and performant web interfaces using React, Next.js, HTML5, and CSS3.
- Built modular, reusable components aligned with modern UI architecture and scalable design patterns.
- Integrated REST APIs and backend services to support dynamic, data-driven features.
- Improved performance, accessibility, and maintainability through structured code reviews and optimization techniques.
- Collaborated with design, marketing, and product teams to deliver user-centered digital experiences.

Full Stack Web Developer – OG Guard, Los Angeles, CA | Jun 2023 – Aug 2024

- Developed and maintained web applications with React and modern JavaScript, applying software engineering fundamentals and API-first thinking.
- Supported system integrations and automated workflows, gaining exposure to event-driven systems and cloud-based solutions.
- Participated in Agile ceremonies, testing cycles, and documentation efforts to support team velocity and clarity.

Web Administration – MedicalRV, Los Angeles, CA | May 2016 – Jan 2019

- Rebuilt a static site into a modular, maintainable architecture and implemented dynamic form-driven features.
- Provided technical troubleshooting and collaborated with cross-functional teams to support system reliability.

Harbor Freight Tools, Inglewood, CA | Jun 2025 – Aug 2025

- Completed store launch prep by collaborating across departments and multitasking across setup tasks, resulting in a smooth opening, cohesive team execution, and proven adaptability.
- Performed customer service duties by listening attentively and delivering solutions that met client needs and company goals, resulting in stronger satisfaction and loyalty.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Volunteer: Catchafire (2018) – Designed and built websites for nonprofit organizations.

Contributor: HackforLA (2024) – Collaborated on projects addressing local community challenges.