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☰ IN A NUTSHELL

Pro at Javascript and web development with an emphasis on backend development.

What do I bring to the table?

Eagerly anticipating having my 2 years of independent learning come into contact with the working world of software development and technology. With my background in philosophy - my passion for abstract ideas and critical thinking demands that I understand concepts deeply. I love to challenge both myself and others to make connections and have a thorough understanding of the current task as well as its broader implications.

I don't want…

…Just another job. I want to solve problems and be a part of a team that is passionate about learning and software development.

The tech | Node.js, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Bootstrap, HTML5, CSS and more.

"James was relied upon for his ability to quickly adapt across multiple roles within the two departments. James was very receptive to learning new practises … James was also a quick learner, tech-savvy and articulate team player who got along well with his colleagues." *—Jayne Parish (HicksMorley LLP)*

💼 EXPERIENCE

Full Stack Developer |

APRIL 2018 – PRESENT

Currently have completed numerous full stack CRUD applications that adhere to the RESTful routing pattern (code available on GitHub).

Launched last year (https://torontoscreenings.herokuapp.com/) . It is a subscription based tool for fans of the independent theatre scene in Toronto. The application utilizes web scraping techniques to compile daily screenings on its home page, as well as update users by either email or SMS. It also has a twitter bot associated with it that makes scheduled posts.

Currently developing and launching another full stack project (that can be found on GitHub) that blends my hobby of photography with my passion for programming. This application provides photographers with a platform where they can share and host long form photography projects. Functioning, primarily, as an alternative to the platforms such as vsco, instagram, Facebook etc. that limits the user to sharing a handful of photos at a time.

Records Management Specialist | HicksMorley

MAY 2017 – COVID-19 LAYOFF

A position which began as a 4 month internship, developed into a fruitful 2.5 year professional experience due to the decision to pursue a career in software development instead of law.

This position required an intimate knowledge of a number of softwares that dealt with database management and data entry. The position also required involvement with the management of physical files.

Other notable skills and positions:

- **LSAT test |** Scored in 95th percentile
- **Philosophy Department, Event Coordinator (peer elected)|** Trent University 2015-2016

🎓 EDUCATION

B.A Philosophy (Minor in Economics)| Trent University

2013 — 2016

Transfer Credits | UOIT

2011 — 2013

Completed a year and a half of the **Applied and Industrial Mathematics** program before transferring to TrentU.