

BRIAN SHIMKUS

FRONT-END DEVELOPER

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EXPERIENCE

Brian Shimkus (JUN 2008-Present) Chicago, IL
Freelance Business

- Provide web development and design services
- Conduct frequent meetings with clients via in-person meetings, phone conferences, e-mails, etc
- Execute domain registration and hosting for client
- Gained experience with working on ruby applications, building wordpress sites, and responsive sites

GA Communication (JAN 2015 - APR 2015) Chicago, IL
Front-End Developer

- Completed pharmaceutical/healthcare web development projects independently in a fast-paced environment
- Achieved daily and weekly milestone goals set by the project managers
- Introduced new web technology and tools to the development team to assist with project processes such as Middleman, Slack, and Harvest.

kohactive (AUG 2013 - DEC 2014) Chicago, IL
Front-End Developer

- Developed responsive websites per approved client designs
- Pair programmed with Senior Developers to learn and enhance my skill set in HAML, SASS, Javascript, Ruby, Rails, Git and Wordpress
- Conducted meetings with clients such as Aon and The Vitality Group to discuss project progress and also instruct on the use of Wordpress
- Participated in monthly developer meetups

BluePrint Design (JUN 2012 - SEP 2012) Chicago, IL
UI/UX Designer Intern

- Created sketches, wireframes, and prototypes for clients
- Reported to the Creative Director daily for critique of work
- Colaborated with the development team and gained experience in designing with the developer in mind
- Assisted my peers by critiquing their projects to enhance their designs
- Used Adobe Creative Suite for execution of tasks

EDUCATION

The Illinois Institute of Art - Chicago (2010 - March 2013)
Graphic Design - BFA

Western Illinois University (2008-2010)
Majored in Instructional Design & Technology

SKILLS & TOOLS

HTML	Layout
HAML	Typography
CSS	Wordpress
SASS	Middleman
Javascript	Bootstrap
jQuery	Font Awesome
Angular JS	Github
PHP	Sublime Text
Ruby	Coda
Rails	iTerm
Git	Harvest
Responsive	Slack
Cloud Hosting	Adobe Creative Suite

MEMBER OF

To further enhance my knowledge and skill set:

Team Treehouse - teamtreehouse.com/brianshimkus
Gaining experience with javascript frameworks as well and working on ruby applications

Code Academy - codecademy.com/users/bluneon
Working with javascript, jQuery, and Angular JS

FUN FACTS

Alumni of Delta Tau Delta International Fraternity
Zeta Lambda Chapter

Performing Guitar Player/Vocalist
Playing in local venues

Aquarium Hobbyist
Owner of a 55 gallon saltwater aquarium

Chicago Cubs Season Ticket Holder
Loyalty at its' finest