CHARLES SHEETS JR

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A personable, talented web developer, and user experience professional with a diverse technical skill set

WEB DEVELOPMENT & USER EXPERIENCE

Able to apply strong analytical and problem-solving skills, creativity, and resourcefulness, in solving web design and user experience challenges. Performs well under pressure with ability to maintain the necessary focus to meet project deadlines. Genuinely enjoys research and continued learning, to stay current with new developments in technology, and social media trends.

General & Technical skills

- **General skills:** Needs analysis, user experience, mockup testing, web design, front and back-end web development, branding & marketing, graphic design, and typography
- **Programming:** HTML, CSS, XML, PHP, and JavaScript
- **Frameworks:** Laravel
- **Software:** Various text editors, command line, Git version control, LAMP, FTP clients, WordPress, Photoshop, Illustrator, and Acrobat
- **Operating systems:** Microsoft Windows, and macOS

EDUCATION

HARVARD UNIVERSITY EXTENSION SCHOOL   **Cambridge, MA**
Web Technologies Certificate   *December 2015*

- Earned a 4.0 GPA
- Created a Harvard University course catalog for final project

WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE   **La Crosse, WI**
Associate of Applied Science in Graphic Design   *May 2009*

- Earned a 3.6 GPA
- Completed necessary coursework to earn a Web Design Certificate

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE PROFESSIONAL   **La Crosse, WI**
Web Designer & Developer   *January 2008 – Present*

- Designed, developed, and maintained client websites
- Collaborated with designers and developers on many different projects utilizing Git version control
- Established productive working relationships with clients
- Consulted with clients on various applications and solutions utilizing HTML, CSS, XML, JavaScript, and content management systems
- Assisted clients with branding and marketing strategies

FEATURED PROJECTS

Heavy Equipment Repair, LLC, Holmen, WI

heavyequipmentrepair.net

Hired to provide site maintenance, server migration tasks, and general updates. Also provided assistance by correcting a technical issue caused by a compromised web server; restored code, deleted malicious files, and strengthened security measures.

Heavy Equipment Repair, LLC, Continued

Result: Client was able to devote more time to core business needs as a result of receiving technical assistance on a continued basis.

Yapperbox

College course final project, Harvard University Extension School, Cambridge, MA
yapperbox.sheetsc.com

Developed a social media web application. This application was developed using a custom PHP framework, allowed users to perform tasks that included; registering, creating a profile, uploading a avatar, posting comments, and replying to comments of other users.

Result: Received an A for project grade

Harvard University Course Catalog

College course final project, Harvard University Extension School

Created a dynamic searchable Harvard Course Catalog utilizing XML course data. Collaborated with a small team of students utilizing Git version control software.

Result: Received an A for project grade

JavaScript Form Handler

College course final project, Harvard University Extension School
form.sheetsc.com/

Developed an interactive web form. Application provides users with real-time validation requirements. Features include; custom form validation, Google Maps Geolocation API for city and state retrieval based on zip code input, and a local storage implementation to save users' non-sensitive data.

Result: Received an A for project grade

Music Management Application - User Experience

College course final project, Harvard University Extension School
youtu.be/0kWhbWPDLKA

Proposed and implemented the user experience for a Music Management Application. Tasks performed: Gathered research, submitted a written proposal, conducted interviews of real-world users, created sketches for mockup testing, and prepared and presented a final prototype.

Result: Received an A for project grade

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Portfolio: Professional portfolio and related information can be viewed at cesheets.com

Career note: Managed freelance web design and development activity while providing in-home care for an immediate family member from October 2009 – February 2016.