

# 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

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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

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**HARVARD UNIVERSITY EXTENSION SCHOOL**  
*Web Technologies Certificate*

**Cambridge, MA**  
*December 2015*

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

**WESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE**  
*Associate of Applied Science in Graphic Design*

**La Crosse, WI**  
*May 2009*

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

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**FREELANCE PROFESSIONAL**  
*Web Designer & Developer*

**La Crosse, WI**  
*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

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**Heavy Equipment Repair, LLC, Holmen, WI**  
[heavyequipmentrepair.net](http://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*

<http://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*

<http://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

<https://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

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**Portfolio:** Creative portfolio and related information can be viewed at <http://cesheets.com/portfolio.pdf>

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