

Cory LaNou

Full-Stack Technologist & Go Expert

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Entrepreneurial technologist with 30+ years of experience specializing in start-ups, technology consulting, and Go development. Serial entrepreneur who has founded multiple successful technology companies, including one acquisition. Published author, international speaker, and community leader who co-founded one of the world's first Go meetups and helped organize the inaugural GopherCon. Expert in Go with significant backend and distributed systems experience.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Go (Expert), SQL, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Bash/Shell

Backend: RESTful APIs, gRPC, Microservices, Distributed Systems, Temporal.io

Databases: PostgreSQL, MySQL, SQLite, InfluxDB, MongoDB, Redis

DevOps: Docker, GitHub Actions, Prometheus, Grafana

Testing: TDD (Expert), BDD, pprof (Expert), Benchmarking (Expert)

Leadership: Team Management (25+ people), Technical Interviewing, Training & Mentoring

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

President & Founder Digital Drywood

2004 - Present

- Lead comprehensive technology and business consulting firm with 500+ completed projects
- Trained over 10,000 developers in modern technologies through hands-on workshops
- Built and managed technical teams up to 25 people
- Specialize in AI/LLM implementations and business acquisition consulting

Founding Partner Gopher Guides

2017 - Present

- Co-founded specialized Go training company serving Fortune 500 clients including New York Times, Visa, Netflix, Coinbase, Uber, Intuit, Capital One, and Red Hat
- Develop comprehensive curriculum and training materials from scratch
- Design and deliver hands-on Go workshops and training programs

Go Developer - Privacy Infrastructure Confident Security

2024 - 2025

- Contributed to critical privacy infrastructure for AI systems
- Implemented Go version of OHTTP and BHTTP protocols
- Developed components for the Oblivious Gateway layer

Core Engineering Team InfluxDB (InfluxData)

2014 - 2017

- Contributed to highly scalable, distributed time-series database written in Go
- Specialized in profiling and optimizing applications using torch graphs and tracing profiles

Founder & CEO LocalLaunch!

2003 - 2006 (Acquired by R.H. Donnelly)

- Founded and led online internet marketing company to successful acquisition
- Managed fundraising efforts and led M&A negotiations through successful exit

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Publications

Go Fundamentals - Co-Author
Comprehensive guide for Go developers, widely recognized in the community

Speaking

International speaker at GopherCon (2024, 2025), GopherCon India (Keynote), GopherCon UK, GopherCon Dubai

Community Leadership

Denver Gophers Meetup - Founder
GopherCon - Co-Organizer of inaugural conference (2014)

EDUCATION

DeVry Institute of Technology - Electronics Engineering Technology (1992-1995)

College of DuPage - General Studies (1995-1996)