## **Charles Neal Cruse**

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Technologies: Next.js, Ruby, Ruby on Rails, Python, Django, Flask, Java, Spring Boot, GitHub

#### **EDUCATION**

App Academy New York, NY, USA

01/2023 - 05/2023

1000+ hours immersive software development course with a focus on full stack web development

Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA, USA

08/2014 - 05/2017

Bachelor of Science in Finance and Management

### **EXPERIENCE**

# **Chinamerica Education Development Consulting Associates** *Remote, USA - Part-time*

11/2023 - Present

**Education Consultant** 

- Provided comprehensive educational consulting services, guiding students through academic and extracurricular planning, college selection, and application submission processes
- Provided professional editing and feedback on structure, tone, and content to align with institutional expectations

### **App Academy** *Remote, USA - Part-time*

06/2023 - Present

Software Engineer Assistant

- Conduct thorough code reviews for 100+ students to debug and optimize frontend and backend of projects
- Enhance student skills in whiteboard coding, pseudo-coding, and problem-solving by conducting technical assessments

#### New Oriental Education Shanghai, China

10/2020 - 05/2022

English as a Second Language Teacher

- Improved students' pronunciation, grammar, and vocabulary, resulting in 98% of students passing all tests
- Consistently improved presentation method, resulting in being the only teacher who required no training
- Organized and presented company material to classes of 10 15 students in an efficient manner that was later used by other teachers as well

### Accenture Arlington, VA, USA

09/2017 - 09/2019

Management Consulting Senior Analyst

- Built and designed web tool used by 1000+ employees to appropriately format, capture, and analyze client input data
- Collaborated with clients to gather user-story information to optimize UI/UX, eliminating possible input errors by users
- Assisted in creating routine communication material sent to client leadership and 1000+ employees
- Performed market analyses to capture market size, competitor share, and identify potential entry points

### **PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS**

**StarWarsbnb** (React, Redux, Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, PostgreSQL, AWS S3, Google Maps, Bootstrap) An Airbnb clone which allows users to have full reservation and review functionality

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- Displayed real-time reservations and eliminated page reloads for an improved UI by utilizing Redux
- Created RESTful API routes for efficient data transfer of CRUD reservations and reviews
- Ensured scalable architecture for large volume of uploading and retrieving image assets with Amazon Web Services S3
- Validated user inputs and accurately stored reservation and review data using Active Record ORM models

**Benchwarmers** (MongoDB, Express.js, React, Redux, Node.js, Google Maps)

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A sport-focused social web app used to create and join local sporting events

- Implemented client-side form validation using Redux to provide error handling and preserve previously input information to users when creating/editing events
- Streamlined event creation process for users by integrating Google Maps API, allowing users to use point-and-click or text autocomplete features for location geocoding
- Reviewed and corrected API routes for platform-wide consistency when users deleted their own profile
- Employed GitHub's version control to support CI/CD and prevent merge conflicts by using feature branches, while also facilitating code quality assurance and feedback via Pull Requests