David Rips

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A full stack JavaScript developer able to build beautiful and sophisticated websites and apps with full database backend all the way from mockup to rollout. Adept at working with diverse teams to implement projects. A quick learner who believes that flexibility and persistence make success happen.

Technical Skills

React, React Native, Meteor, Javascript, Node.js, Express, jQuery, GIT, Github, MongoDB, MySQL, Sequelize, Mongoose, Firebase, HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, Materialize, Media Queries, APIs, JSON, REST, AJAX.

Experience

FlatFinder 2016

A web app that allows users to find or connect with potential roommates, and then allows matched roommates to easily swipe through apartments with agreed-upon parameters. When all roommates 'like' the same apartment, it appears in their shared view, and facilitates scheduling a viewing. Personal project in React, Meteor, and Material UI.

Locale 2016

A web app that allows users to find local, independent businesses and rewards them for soliciting their services. Worked on a team, primarily responsible for browser-side JavaScript, mapping functionality, jQuery, HTML5.

Pillr 2016

A web app that allows users to organize their prescriptions; app reminds users to take their medications, and about upcoming refills. Pillr automatically alerts users if there are known interactions between their medicines. Pillr can also share user's prescription information with a health care provider at the touch of a button. Responsible for browser and server side Javascript, databasing (using Sequelize), and rxNorm API implementation.

Education

Rutgers Coding Bootcamp - 2016

Full Stack Developer Certification

An intensive 24-week long boot camp dedicated to designing and building web applications.

Topics Covered: Javascript Front and Back End, Responsive Design, React, Meteor, Database Theory, API's, Agile Methodologies, Presentation Skills,

Research Methods, System Administration, Quality Assurance Testing, Social Coding Best Practices, Computer Science.

B.A. - Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey

Comparative Literature Major, Spanish and Philosophy Minors Graduated with Honors, GPA 3.68, Phi Beta Kappa Scholar

Thesis: "Allegory in Baudelaire: Towards a Politics of Laughter", awarded Highest Honors Specialization: Continental Philosophy, Rhetoric, Critical Theory, Literary Theory, Semiotics, Post-Colonial Theory, Poetics

Megatron Management (New York, New York), Administrative Assistant January 2012-Present

Represented original musicians in streamlining the royalties collection process, including mediating among our clients, the advertiser, and advertisement tracking agencies.

Manage client and advertisement database.

Reorganized workflow and filing system to successfully increase productivity and profit.

Learning Rx (Warren, NJ) Cognitive Skills Trainer

December 2015 - Present

Worked with children and adults with learning disabilities to improve quality of life.

Implemented specialized procedures that operate based on neuroplasticity, in order to strengthen and develop client's cognitive skills.

Worked both individually and in a team to address client's individual needs and concerns, in order to ensure an effective plan for training.

Rutgers University (New Brunswick, NJ), Editorial/Research Assistant

June 2014-Present

Tracked the progress of editing of upcoming academic book.

Coordinated the responses of various editors and assisted in finalizing author's changes.

Assisted author in structuring writing project including organization of ideas and flow of thought.

Edited and proofread entire book for form, style, and philosophical/theoretical content.

Prepared teaching materials for graduate and undergraduate courses, assisted in research for three publications. Led undergraduate lectures and discussion sessions.

Analyzed, prepared, and presented materials in preparation for a upcoming book publication.

Organizations

The Kremlin, Curator/Operator, 2015- Present

Opened, operated, managed, and booked events for a D.I.Y. venue located in New Brunswick, NJ.

Comp. Lit. Reading Group, President, 2014-2015

Selected readings, scheduled and ran discussion meetings, presented and taught material, developed regular membership.

Huntington Poetry Club, President, 2014-2015

Organized, scheduled and ran bi-weekly poetry open mic events. Increased regular membership to over 80+ people.

90.3 The Core, Programming Director, 2012-2014

Created schedules for over 120 DJs. Maintained station operation. Trained new DJs. Ensured programming quality and proper performance according to station and FCC guidelines. Developed station focus and consistency

Skills

Fluent in Russian and Spanish; conversational in French. Experience with translation and simultaneous interpretation. Experience with proofreading, editing, and writing project organization.

Advanced grasp of both Windows and Macintosh platforms.

Advanced experience in office programs (Excel, Word, Quickbooks, Adobe Dreamweaver) as well as graphic design programs (InDesign, Illustrator, Photoshop). Outstanding typing skills (WPM: 90)

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Strong leadership skills; managerial and teaching experience.

Charismatic and confident public speaker.

Highly trained in critical thinking and problem solving. Efficient and experienced researcher, quick learner. Organized, goal-driven, enthusiastic and reliable.