

DeeDee Lavinder

Technology professional with enthusiasm, grit, and integrity seeking a software developer position with opportunities for learning, collaborating, and growth.

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EXPERIENCE

Spredly, Software Engineer

June 2017 - PRESENT

- Work daily with credit card data, APIs, and open source software.
- Regularly manage issues related to encryption, encoding, and security within the context of a distributed system.
- Extend and maintain internal API and integrate with third party APIs.
- Contribute, collaborate, and help maintain Active Merchant, an open source Ruby library for payment gateways.
- Grade application work samples; pair-interview for all levels in Engineering; help implement improvements in hiring process.
- Spearheaded implementation of GooglePay as a new payment method.

Adwerx, Software Developer

April 2015 - June 2017

- Practiced full-stack SaaS development in an Agile environment.
- Built automated refund system for all transactions to replace a manual, multi-step process that was difficult to use and to reconcile.
- Implemented new procedures to improve workflow between Engineering and Support, empowering Support to take on more triaging tasks.

Learning, Ruby on Rails

June 2014 - April 2015

- Established self-directed learning practices through books, online tutorials, frequent participation in workshops, hackathons, and meetups.
- Attended a fully immersive coding boot camp, 80-100 hours/wk for 12 weeks, and wrote several functional apps.

Before pivoting to a career in technology, my resume included Entrepreneur and Small Business Owner. I founded and then, after seven years, sold an award-winning retail business. Additional past titles also include: Project Manager, Director of Operations, and Truck Driver/Instructor.

VOLUNTEER

Women Who Code — Director

Facilitating opportunities for continued learning, community building, sharing, and supporting with the hope of inspiring women to continue in technology careers.

SKILLS

- Thrives on a collaborative team.
- Prioritizes people over specs.
- Values inclusivity and diversity.
- Excellent communicator.
- Born with a teacher's heart.
- Enjoys an affinity for cryptography.
- Ruby, Rails, SQL, TDD, Rspec
- Git, GitHub, Vagrant, Docker
- DropBox, Jira, Trello, Zendesk

CONFERENCE TALKS

All Things Open, Oct 2018

"Ladies Explain the Blockchain"

Duke Nicholas Institute, Oct 2018

"Blockchain Basics"

Self.Conference, Aug 2018

"How the Game is Played:
Understanding Blockchain Basics"

PaymentsFN, May 2018

"3DS: The Good, The Bad & The Future"

Strange Loop, Sep 2017

"Lightning Talk: Brainstorming With Introverts"

EDUCATION

The Iron Yard, Durham, NC — Rails Engineering

University of California, Davis — B.S. International Agricultural Development