# **Derrick Kyle Suarez**

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# **Objective**

To contribute value as a full-time employee to a great company in Austin using my skills in software development, specifically as a backend, API-driven engineer, with room and capability for growth anywhere along the software stack.

## **Experience**

Software Engineer at Zilkr Cloud Technologies - Oct. 2016 - Jan. 2018

- backend-focused engineer; helped build a robust API w/ multiple environments
  - live production environment for customer use
  - live sandbox environment for trying out the API
- lead feature development, from the planning and design phase, to implementation and testing phase
- customer-facing support role, designing, planning, and testing features with architects, product and project managers, lead engineers, and QA testers at our largest customer, a global tier-1 phone provider
- delivered in-use production features to Zilkr's largest customer, accounting for approximately 90% of revenue
- collaborated with remote teams, both in Mexico and India

## Web Development Teacher at St. Gabriel's Catholic School - Sept. 2016 - Nov. 2016

- worked with children in grades ranging from kindergarten through eight
- taught basic skills in web development, including HTML, CSS, and basic Javascript

#### Teacher - High School, Elementary School; Louisiana, Texas, Spain - 2009 - 2016

• more information available upon request

#### **Skills**

- -Node.js w/ Express
- -ES6 Javascript
- -Sequelize ORM, SQL, Postgres
- -RESTful API design
- -Integration, Unit, and Behavioral Testing with Mocha
- -Familiarity with Git, Jira, BitBucket, Kanban Process, and Agile Methodologies
- -Familiarity with Continuous Integration and Deployment practices
- -Basic familiarity with React, Java, Go, PHP Laravel (self-study)

# **Education**

# Certificate in Full-Stack Web Development

- -University of Texas at Austin (Austin, TX)
- -Apr. 2016 Oct. 2016

## Masters of Arts in Education

- -McNeese State University (Lake Charles, LA)
- -Aug. 2008 May 2010

## Bachelor of Arts - Foreign Languages & Literatures (Classical Latin)

- -Louisiana State University (Baton Rouge, LA)
- -Aug. 2001 Dec. 2005

#### Personal

As a newly minted father (my daughter Eleanor was born in July 2017), I am dedicated to my family and providing the best possible for them. I enjoy traveling with my wife Theresa, with whom I was lucky enough to live in Madrid, Spain for two years, and can't wait to share the world with Eleanor. I enjoy listening to music and attending live shows, woodworking in my free time, and playing golf. Two fun facts about me: I ran with the bulls in Pamplona, Spain during the San Fermines festival in 2012 and have performed five wedding ceremonies.

\*Please visit derricksuarez.com to learn more about me and to view some personal projects. Thank you!