

EVAN TAO

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Full-Stack Developer and Educator, Transitioning to a Career in Software Engineering

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Awards: Dean's List 2015-2016

Philadelphia, PA

Sep 2014 - Jun 2018

SKILLS

Languages Java, Python, Ruby on Rails, SQL, Golang, Javascript, CSS

Databases MySQL, PostgreSQL, NoSQL DynamoDB, Amazon AWS

Tools Express.js, Vue.js, JSON, RSpec, Docker, Git

PROJECTS

Fantasy Olympics Platform · Live View · GitHub

Express.js, Vue.js, Python, MySQL, NoSQL DynamoDB, Amazon AWS

- Built a full-stack CRUD application featuring an Express.js back-end and responsive Vue.js front-end
- Queried a MySQL database of more than 20,000 entries hosted on a cloud-native AWS RDS instance
- Implemented high scores and back-end password authentication using a NoSQL DynamoDB instance
- Built a web scraper in Python to automate the data extraction and cleaning from 3 different websites

Spotify Quiz Generator · Live View · GitHub

Ruby on Rails, PostgreSQL, RSpec, Docker

- Built a RESTful music application featuring a Ruby on Rails back-end and Spotify API integration
- Connected a relational PostgreSQL database with 4 different tables to persist user and album data
- Wrote more than 50 comprehensive unit and integration tests with the RSpec framework
- Deployed the application and database together in a single configuration file using Docker Compose

WORK EXPERIENCE

Lead Computer Science Teacher

New York City Department of Education

New York, NY

Sep 2019 - Present

- Founded and established the school's first college-level Java course
- Developed a Python elective course which covers topics in advanced algorithms and data structures
- Designed a Javascript course for novice programmers, culminating in a 10-hour capstone project
- Launched the computer science component of a 3-week summer program for incoming students
- Achieved an 81% exam college readiness rate in 2022, exceeding the NY average by 20%
- Awarded the AP Computer Science Female Diversity Award for female participation for 5 years
- Evaluated end-of-year AP Computer Science projects as part of a selective cohort for 3 years
- Coached students at the Cornell University High School Programming Competition for 2 years

Software Developer

Independent Study

New York, NY

Jul 2018 - Sep 2019

- Implemented a biologically plausible neural network in Python, based on open-source research
- Engineered a novel layer of computational processing to handle images with faces in varying positions
- Utilized SVC machine learning to classify over 1,000 distinct faces, achieving an 80% accuracy rate
- Serialized the training model with Pickle to reduce processing times for future predictions