Evan Twidwell

Data-focused Software Engineer with deep experience building and maintaining scalable backend systems for SaaS applications. Fluent in Python with hands-on experience across the data stack—from ingestion and transformation to storage and analytics.

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EXPERIENCE

Parse.ly (acquired by Automattic) — *Senior Backend Engineer*

November 2022 - July 2025

- Designed and maintained scalable, secure backend services supporting a high-traffic analytics platform, processing over 1 billion events per day.
- Served as lead for a project to better classify sources of traffic like Google Discover and AI chat bots, and aggregate them for trends across all of Parsely's customers, while mentoring other developers around new tooling like DuckDB and Datafusion.
- Led the development of data ingestion pipelines and RESTful APIs using Django, Python, and Postgres, enabling actionable insights from Google Search data with 90% customer adoption within the first month while keeping maintenance costs under $2000/month.
- Built privacy-preserving identity resolution tools that function without third-party cookies, aligning with modern security and compliance standards.
- Created a secure, cloud-hosted service for managing third-party credentials using AWS and Terraform, ensuring high availability and authenticated access for internal applications.
- Worked cross-functionally with Product, Infrastructure, and Security teams to deliver user-focused, high-impact features.
- Played a key role in incident response and production debugging using observability tools like Datadog and Sentry.
- Mentored engineers and promoted best practices across the organization to foster a culture of technical excellence and innovation.

Parse.ly (acquired by Automattic) — *Support Engineer*

August 2021 - November 2022

- In this role, I collaborated with the engineering team to build a Chrome extension that parsed page DOMs and recommended integration code, streamlining feature adoption for customers.
- I enhanced internal tools built with Django and React to significantly reduce ticket resolution times
- Maintained a 100% customer satisfaction rating throughout my tenure.

Zollege — *Engineering Intern*

May 2021 - August 2021

- As an intern at Zollege, I built several full stack web applications, including a webpage styling assistant using the Google Fonts API and a restaurant reservation manager
- Used React for front-end interfaces and Django with Postgres on the backend, and were deployed using AWS services such as EC2 and S3 to support production usage.

Hilton Hotels — *Executive Sous Chef*

August 2019 - December 2020

- Managed multiple food venues and staffs across a large convention property.
- Used React for front-end interfaces and Django with Postgres on the backend, and were deployed using AWS services such as EC2 and S3 to support production usage.

Managed multiple food venues and staffs across a large convention property. Responsible for profit and loss, hiring, training and retention of employees.

SKILLS

Python, Django, AWS, GCP, Elasticsearch, Git, SQL, Kafka, Storm, Spark, Arrow, Parquet, DuckDB, Terraform, Ansible, Datadog, Distributed Systems, AI Prompting and Training

EDUCATION

Austin Coding Academy

December 2020 - May 2021

Studied Full Stack Web development. Finished at top of class and was selected for an internship program.

University of Texas at Austin

September 2002 - May 2005

Studied in the Plan II honors program and English Literature.

AWARDS

National Merit Scholar