CHRIS OLIVER

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EXPERIENCE Independent Software Consultant

February 2009 – Present

St. Louis, MO

- Provided full web solutions including frontend and backend development as well as design to local startups and businesses looking for reliable and well-built web applications.
- Launched GoRails.com to organize and document many of the common procedures of working with Rails as well as recorded educational screencasts for developers.

Co-Founder / Lead Developer

August 2013 - Present

LaunchCode - St. Louis, MO

Interviewed and placed aspiring developers with local St. Louis companies that are looking for talent and willing to train them to become full-time developers.

Rails Developer

August 2011 – June 2012

The Able Few - St. Louis, MO

- Developed a wide range of Ruby on Rails applications for agencies in the St. Louis area including iOS, Android, Facebook Apps, and prototyping products for local startups.
- Expanded team outreach by organizing networking events and strengthening our open source presence as a software development company in the Midwest.

Programmer Analyst I

June 2011 - August 2011

The Genome Institute At Washington University – St. Louis, MO

- Worked with cancer researchers and analysts to improve, maintain, and add features to the genome analysis pipeline.
- Designed and built an automated pipeline for processing the documentation for several open source applications built in house.

Founder & Lead Developer

May 2008 – August 2012

Keryx Project – keryxproject.org – Jacksonville, IL

- Designed and implemented a desktop software package for computers without internet access to download software for Ubuntu Linux using Python.
- Shipped and supported over 150,000 copies used in third world countries, governments, and other systems with poor internet connections.

Software Engineering Student

May 2009 – September 2009

Google, Inc. - Jacksonville, IL

- Accepted as one of 1000 students world-wide into Google Summer of Code.
- Designed and implemented a software package system for Windows using Python.

EDUCATION

Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville, IL

Expected May 2011

B.S. Computer Science

- Took an independent study developing a Linux desktop environment prototype that is distributed across machines in a cluster to form a single display.
- Built a website in Ruby on Rails for the Admissions Office to manage tours of campus.

PUBLICATIONS

Offline Package Installation. Full Circle Magazine. December 2009: Issue 32. Pp. 14-16. fullcirclemagazine.org.