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## Experience

PLATFORM ENGINEER
*Hack Oregon – August 2015 to Present*
- Built three data-driven web products (FortyForty100, Programming to Progress, The First Five Minutes).
- Led small teams of volunteer developers.
- Contributed to Civic platform utilizing React.
- Developed documentation and onboarding information for Civic React front-end infrastructure.

MENTOR
*Treehouse – December 2015 to March 2018*
- Provided individual video chat mentor sessions.
- Graded and reviewed student projects.
- Proctored student final exams.
- Moderated student Slack teams.
- Refined Techdegree content to improve the student experience.

INSTRUCTOR
*Hack Oregon/Hack University – June 2016 to December 2017*
- Developed curriculum and taught professional project-based courses including:
  *JavaScript Foundations* -- intermediate and advanced topics in JavaScript.
  *Data Visualization* -- introduce basic principles of data visualization and produce interactive data visualizations for the web using JavaScript and D3.
  *DevOps* -- an introduction to the DevOps mindset and CI/CD with Docker, Travis, and AWS.

LEAD INSTRUCTOR
*Bits and Bytes – January 2016 to December 2017*
- Developed age-appropriate curriculum in computer science fundamentals.
- Taught after-school classes to Portland Public Schools students in grades K-8.

## Education

B.A. ECONOMICS, 2012
Tulane University
New Orleans, LA

## Languages

HTML
CSS
Sass
JavaScript

## Libraries

React/ES6
Node
D3
Leaflet
jQuery
Bootstrap

## Tools

Mac/Windows/Linux
DevOps
AWS
Git/Github/Travis
Responsive Design
HTTP/APIs
GIS