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An aspiring software engineering professional who loves cultivating relationships, creating software, and learning Japanese – all for the convergence of business, technology, and the social good.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## **Lloyd House Studios**

Freelance Software Engineer

August 2013 – Present

- Developed Ruby on Rails applications, working closely with clients using Agile methodologies
- Experienced with working on a team, effectively and professionally cooperating with other developers via face-to-face, email, and video conferencing

#### Invoca

QA Software Engineering

April 2013 – August 2013

- Created and executed test plans for a cloud-based performance marketing Software as a Service Platform developed in Ruby on Rails, using TDD and Agile-based methodologies
- Debugged issues over the full software stack (front end, application logic, services, data persistence, server-side configuration) while dealing with challenges such as having a large code base, complex server infrastructure, rapidly growing database, and upgrading software tools/frameworks

#### **Green Hills Software**

Business Development, Strategic Accounts

July 2011 – March 2013

- Developed and maintained new business relationships with Manager, Director, and VP level clients from various Global 500 companies in Asia, US, and Europe
- Traveled frequently to Japan & Korea, working closely with local/international business development teams and engineering teams to manage client-relationships and shape product planning decisions; emphasizing mutual growth by balancing the needs of the company, customers, and business partners

## Skills

Technical Skills: Ruby on Rails | TDD RSpec/Cucumber | Javascript/jQuery | Mysql/Postgresql Git Version Control | HTML/CSS | Nginx/Thin | Linux Administration | VIM

Business Skills: Market Analysis | Public Speaking | Technical Communication

Conversational Japanese | Strategic Product Planning | Client Relationship Management

## **Projects**

- RevolvingChore A very fun chore chart generator, tracker, analyzer, and enforcer. <u>revolvingchore.com</u>
- EvidencedBasedLiving Habit Tracker & Mindfulness Tutor. Psychology dept. of UC Santa Barbara
- Personal Website Static website using Jekyll and deployed on my VPS <u>harrisontouw.com</u>
  - \*Visit harrisontouw.com for more project details. Code sample available upon request

#### Education

- Westmont College 2011, BA in Political Science & Philosophy GPA 3.6 with Honors
- Scholarships/Grants totaling over \$30,000/annually
- Santa Barbara Community College, 1 year of Computer Science classes

<sup>\*</sup>Japanese 3 years (Currently studying for JLPT N2)

<sup>\*</sup>Technical Skills: 1+ years