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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.*

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## EXPERIENCE

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### GreatSchools

*Software Engineer*

March 2014 – present

- Built new application features and in-house software tools for a Ruby on Rails app migrating from Java; writing code with design patterns, best practices, object orientation, and performance in mind
- Acted in more of a RoR/RSpec lead role, helping mentor jr. engineers and improve engineering processes

### Lloyd House Studios

*Freelance Software Engineer*

August 2013 – March 2014

- Rapid prototyped Ruby on Rails applications, working closely with clients using Agile methodologies
- Worked with an international team, effectively collaborating with developers and clients locally/overseas

### Invoca

*QA Software Engineering*

April 2013 – August 2013

- Created and executed test plans for performance marketing SaaS Platform developed in Ruby on Rails.
- 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 (30+ million rows), and upgrading legacy software tools

### Green Hills Software

*Business Development, Strategic Accounts*

July 2011 – March 2013

- Managed various Manager/Director/VP level clients from Global 500 companies in Asia, US, and Europe
- Traveled frequently to Japan & Korea, closely working with international business development and engineering teams to foster company/customer/partner growth and shape product planning/road-mapping

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## Skills

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**Technical Skills:** Ruby on Rails | TDD RSpec/Capybara | Javascript/jQuery | VIM/Ruby Mine  
Git Version Control | HTML/CSS | Nginx/Thin | DevOps | Puppet | Mysql

**Business Skills:** Market Analysis | Public Speaking | Technical Communication  
Conversational Japanese | Strategic Product Planning | Client Relationship Management

\*Japanese 4 years (Currently studying for JLPT N1)

\*Technical Skills: 2+ years

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## Projects

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- RevolvingChore – A very fun chore chart generator, tracker, analyzer, and enforcer. [revolvingchore.com](http://revolvingchore.com)
  - EvidencedBasedLiving – Habit Tracker & Mindfulness Tutor. Psychology dept. of UC Santa Barbara
- \*Visit [harrisontouw.com](http://harrisontouw.com) (hosted on my personal vps) for more project details

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## Education

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- Westmont College 2011, BA in Political Science & Philosophy GPA 3.6 with Honors
- Scholarships/Grants totaling over \$30,000 annually