# JAKE BESTLAND

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#### **SUMMARY**

Dynamic and resourceful software engineer with fresh Python programming skills and a solid foundation in software development. Bringing 20 years of entrepreneurial experience, including leadership, problem-solving, and project management, now focused on leveraging technical expertise to deliver innovative solutions. Passionate about learning, adaptability, and creating impactful software.

#### **SKILLS**

Languages: Python, JavaScript (es6, JSON), SQL, HTML, CSS

Frameworks: Django Libraries: Python Arcade

Databases: MySQL, PostgresSQL **Testing**: Test Driven Development (TDD)

CI/CD & Development Methodologies: GIT, GitHub, Object Oriented Programming (OOP), REST APIs

Interpersonal Skills: Analytical skills, Attention to detail, Problem-solving, Works well in teams, Continuous improvement, Communication/Written communication, Customer relations

# **EXPERIENCE**

# **Bestland Aluminum Products - Installer (Co-owner)**

Savage, MN June 2003- Dec. 2023

- Provided top-tier customer service by greeting homeowners, offering expert recommendations to optimize product efficiency and aesthetics, and adeptly answering questions.
- Reduced waste and logistics costs by implementing a just-in-time (JIT) inventory system.
- Boosted efficiency by reordering tasks, enabling one additional job to be completed per day.

# **Software Development Consultant**

Remote Jan. 2024 - Present

General consultancy in all matters related to helping businesses create, improve, or optimize their software systems to improve performance, scalability, security and user experience.

#### **PROJECTS**

Portfolio Website. (jake-bestland.xyz)

Personal website built with Python, Django, and Bootstrap, deployed on AWS. It showcases my projects and demonstrates skills in Python, Django, HTML, CSS, and RESTful APIs.

#### Phase 10. (github.com/jake-bestland/Phase 10)

A rummy-style card game with a challenging twist, built using Python and object-oriented programming. Developed a 4-player, user-controlled 2D game using the Python Arcade library.

## Local Library. (jacobb.pythonanywhere.com)

A website for a local library to browse books, authors, and manage accounts.

## **EDUCATION**

Coding Nomads - (Grad. - 2024)

Python Full Stack Software Engineering: Web Development, SQL, Unit Testing, Object-Oriented Programming

## St. Cloud State University - (Grad. - 2009)

Bachelor of Science in Entrepreneurship