

# JAMES CALECA

Web Developer with Leadership Experience

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## WHY I WANT TO BE HERE

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I admire the mission of your company. I am passionate about helping people through creating beautiful, simple websites, because, in this increasingly digital era, it is more important now than it's ever been that websites are simple, efficient, and accessible to everyone. I am confident my skills and values would be an asset to the company. It would be an honor to have the opportunity to be a part of your team.

## HOW I CAN ADD VALUE

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You'll find that I'll bring a strong work ethic, a spirit of teamwork, and innovative ideas. I am a problem-solver who thinks critically and gets to the root of every issue. I am highly adaptable, organized, and driven. My true passion is solving problems to help people work more efficiently and live better lives. To get results, I coach, mentor, and communicate clearly with others. I am also experienced in sales and consulting. My **technical skills** include:

JavaScript | ES6 | React | HTML | CSS | Node.js | Express | AJAX/HTTP | Mongoose | MongoDB | JSON | Git

## WHAT I'VE LEARNED

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Certification of Web Development, [V School](#)  
2021

Bachelor of Arts - Music Education, [Butler University](#)  
2010-2014

## PROJECTS I'VE DONE

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### Recipe Finder

[github.com/jamescaleca/recipe-finder](https://github.com/jamescaleca/recipe-finder) | TECHNOLOGIES: React, Bootstrap, TheMealDB API, React Router v6, React Router Data API

- Engineered an app, using [TheMealDB](#) API, which allows users to see a collection of food recipes. Users may filter recipes by category, or they may search for a recipe by its name. Building this app allowed me to put into practice everything I know about React Router v6 and its Data APIs, and gave me excellent experience with visualizing API data.

### OP Vetfest

[github.com/V-School-Module-7/op-veteran](https://github.com/V-School-Module-7/op-veteran) | TECHNOLOGIES: React, Node.js, Firebase, Shopify

- Collaborated with a team of stage two developers and instructors from V School on a registration website for an event organized by OP Veteran. Worked on the user interface, including the booth registration page, displaying local and Shopify cart information, plus design aspects of the sidebar.

### Rock the Vote!

[github.com/jamescaleca/rtv-cra](https://github.com/jamescaleca/rtv-cra) | TECHNOLOGIES: React, Node.js, Express, Mongoose, MongoDB, Render React Router Data API

- Developed a website that allows users to create an account, post about politically-related issues, and upvote/downvote posts of interest (similar to Reddit).

### Diary Buddy

[github.com/jamescaleca/diary-buddy-render](https://github.com/jamescaleca/diary-buddy-render) | TECHNOLOGIES: React, Express, User Authentication, Mongoose, MongoDB

- Collaborated on an app that allows users to submit diary entries, either from a blank entry page or by choosing from a list of changing templates. Writers can submit entries on a wide range of topics, following these prompts.

## WHERE I'VE BEEN

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**V School** - JavaScript Instructor, 08/2022 - 02/2023, and Teaching Assistant, 12/2021 - 08/2022

- As a V School Instructor, I coached and taught fundamental JavaScript, CSS, and HTML to prospective students, helping them overcome barriers, master complex lessons, and succeed in their coding careers. As a Teaching Assistant, I collaborated with instructors to support, mentor, and assess students' progress. I coached them on problem-solving tips while advising on web development curriculum questions, computer setups, and much more.

**Office Depot** - Senior Technology Consultant, 02/2016 - 01/2018

- Facilitated customer satisfaction by selling and repairing customer computers and smartphones in a timely but detailed manner. Collaborated with project members to identify and address issues. Resolved conflicts and negotiated mutually beneficial agreements between parties.

**Butler University** - Student Music Teacher, 08/2013 - 05/2014

- Led full-size classrooms in grades K-12 in varying musical subjects, including general music and choir classes of 40-plus students. Created lesson plans and coached students privately on music theory and vocal technique.