

Dear Sir or Madam,

My love of computers began at age 11 when I began programming with Visual Basic 1.0. From there I moved on to Pascal, C/C++, and Java. Recent improvements made to JavaScript have made it one of my top languages as well.

Creating interactive web applications in React & communicating with/creating backend APIs and databases) is my passion.

I am excited about the Web Developer position that Ikea recently published on their company site. I graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science from the University of Houston -- Downtown in July 2019. Shortly afterwards I relocated to Chicago, IL. I previously worked for the residential computer network (ResNet) at the University of North Texas as a Senior Technician and recently left a position as the General Manager of a movie theater where I worked while completing my degree.

At Resnet I built, set up, and maintained Linux servers running MySQL and worked directly with HTML, JavaScript & PHP to design and maintain a secure web-interface for students. In my most recent management position, I was regularly called upon to assess independently both technological and systemic problems and design creative site-specific solutions. Often, this included tailored IT solutions.

For my database project in school, I scripted the import of witness data (over a quarter million records) from the Texas Legislature Online, making it more searchable and making data-informed decision making more possible, such as identifying which organizations most successfully voted for bills that became law and which most successfully voted against bills that were defeated. I recently published a front-end to this website at texashousewitness.info.

HTML and Javascript have changed much since I worked with it professionally at ResNet. I am thrilled by advancements made in web development since I first used them 20 years ago. I am a huge fan of React at least in part because of how it encourages great JavaScript programming practices and have good working knowledge of Redux and the Context API.

I believe that my unique combination of management experience, customer service experience, passion for computers, and education make me an ideal candidate for your position. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jason Brunelle