

# Jonathan Polakoff

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## WEB DEVELOPER & JOURNALIST

<https://jdpolakoff.github.io/portfolio>

*A critical thinker with an inquisitive mind and a passion for truth and transparency. I apply my previous experience as a journalist by writing solutions-oriented, user-friendly code.*

## + SKILLS

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FRONTEND: HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, jQuery, React, AngularJS, Bootstrap

BACKEND: NodeJS, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Ruby, Ruby on Rails, Sinatra, Express, RSpec

OTHER: Git, Github, Agile, Wire-framing, User stories, Writing, Editing, Geospatial data analysis and visualization (ArcGIS, QGIS), Spanish language proficiency

## + EXPERIENCE

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### **Web Development Immersive Student**

General Assembly  
Washington, DC (June 2017 – September 2017)

Completed three-month, 500-hour full-time and full-stack web development program. Curriculum covered the latest frontend and backend programming languages, tools, and methodologies including HTML5, CSS3, Javascript (ES6), jQuery, React, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Ruby, Ruby on Rails, NodeJS, RSpec, Git, Github and more. Developed portfolio of individual and collaborative group projects.

### **Web Producer**

CBS Corp. Los Angeles, CA (July 2015 – March 2017)

Wrote and edited stories for CBSLA.com. Created engaging posts for CBSLA Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts that helped add thousands of social media followers.

### **Reporter**

Easy Reader News  
Hermosa Beach, CA (March 2015 – July 2015)

Pitched, reported and wrote news and feature stories on local government, people and issues for the weekly Easy Reader newspaper. Broke stories including news of a council member's bid for U.S. Congress.

### **Reporter**

Los Angeles Business Journal, Los Angeles, CA (May 2011 – November 2014)

Pitched, reported and wrote news and analysis stories on the media and entertainment industries for the weekly Los Angeles Business Journal. Served on occasion as web editor for LABusinessJournal.com. Finalist in 2013, 2014, 2015 for Los Angeles Press Club award for entertainment news or feature in a newspaper (under 50,000 circulation).

## + EDUCATION

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**General Assembly**, Web Development Immersive, 2017

**UCLA Extension**, Coursework in Geographic Information Systems, 2017

**University of Southern California Annenberg School for Communication & Journalism**, M.A. Print Journalism, Class of 2011

**Vanderbilt University School of Arts & Sciences**, Class of 2008

**Landon School**, Bethesda, Md., High School Diploma, Class of 2004