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SUMMARY

Software Engineer leveraging a background in retail and customer service management to build a more intuitive user experience on the web. Known as an innovative problem-solver passionate about developing apps. Strengths in meeting deadlines, creativity and teamwork. Known among colleagues for a strong work ethic no matter the complexity of the project.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: JavaScript, HTML, CSS, SQL, React, NodeJs, JQuery, Bootstrap

TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer   May 2021– present
LinkUpMeets, Los Angeles, CA
Full stack development for a map-based mobile dating application. Languages and Tools: JS, HTML, CSS React Native, MongoDB, GraphQL, AWS S3
- Learning existing codebase and researching new technologies for implementation
- Creating and maintaining React Native components to improve scalability
- Converting existing REST API to GraphQL to improve flexibility and latency

EDUCATION

Full Stack Web Development Certificate: UCLA Extension, Los Angeles, CA (Graduated 2021)
A 24-week intensive program focused on gaining technical programming skills in HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, JQuery, Bootstrap, Firebase, Node Js, MySQL, MongoDB, Express, Handelbars.js & ReactJS.

PROJECTS

Quarantine Game | https://github.com/johnwestermeyer/QuarantineGame | https://gentle-cliffs-28390.herokuapp.com/
A web application that is a real-time multiplayer browser game
- Collaborated with a team of 4 in all phases of the development lifecycle with a focus on back end and game logic to handle user voting and scoring
- Applying the Agile methodologies to the project, completed ahead of schedule, remotely collaborated over Zoom, Slack and Discord
- JavaScript, NodeJS, HTML, Socket.io

Code Snippet DB | https://github.com/johnwestermeyer/project-3 | http://www.snippet.ltd/
Database for storing starter code/code snippets with user friendly front-end
- Worked with a team of 5 to design, develop, debug and deploy the web application
- Primary contributions were the creation of custom API queries, browse pages and pagination
- Created and updated public documentation using Github repositories for better understanding and transfer of knowledge
- JavaScript, NodeJS, HTML, React, Highlight.JS

PostIt | https://github.com/johnwestermeyer/PostIt
Social media site centered around men's beauty and self-care
- Joined an existing project team and assisted by developing API queries and routes for posts, comments and tags using Express and MongoDB; designed and implemented post and comment UX using JavaScript and React; and implemented tool to allow user image uploads using AWS S3 for secure storage
- Integral player in design and planning, provided consistent code reviews and feedback throughout project
- JavaScript, NodeJS, HTML, React, AWS

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Checker/ Cashier   April 2019 – December 2020
Vons Grocery Store, Los Angeles, CA
Assisted customers with their orders and operated point-of-sale terminal
- Employee of the Month: November 2019 - recognized for work ethic and being a team player.

Cafe Manager   March 2018 – September 2018
Tahoe Pourhouse, South Lake Tahoe, CA
Promoted within 6 weeks from associate to manager of the seasonal tourist "hot-spot"
- Developed standard operating procedures to ensure quality and consistency in our product and standardize employee training for newly started business.
- Recruited, hired, and trained a team of 7 front of the house employees.

Associate   November 2017 – March 2018
Toys R Us, St. Peters, MO
Focused on warehouse operations and assisted with online orders for in-store pick up, unloading and stocking of daily deliveries, and customers with inquiries.
- Spearheaded the post-holiday organization of the storeroom warehouse that contributed to a more accurate and efficient inventory, resulting in thousands of dollars of additional saleable product.

Assistant Manager   February 2010 – December 2016
Plaza Frontenac Cinema, St. Louis, MO
Managed daily operations of all departments with special interests in staff development, inventory control, and budgeting.
- Maximized team knowledge and productivity by effectively training and leveraging team strengths to support daily operations.
- Responsible for interviewing, hiring, and scheduling for all positions. Created and delivered employee annual reviews.
- Conducted recurring region-wide presentations and training with a special focus on preparing profit and loss statements.