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PROFILE

My name is Kevin Gorski and I build software. A Software Developer, yes, but I'm passionate about how and why software is built and I strive to make a positive impact on everything I touch. Though software is where I'll make my primary contribution, I want to care about the spirit as well as the letter of what I'm working on.

I currently work with a great team but feel like I could be doing more to change the world. That's the only kind of opportunity I'm currently interested in.

EXPERIENCE

SENIOR SOFTWARE DEVELOPER, INSTANT SOFTWARE - FEBRUARY 2011 - NOW

Owned and operated by HomeAway, Inc., Instant Software is the leading provider of vacation rental software for property owners, managers and distribution channels.

- Built a product provisioning tool for use by the sales and development teams to set up new customers in multiple environments and systems through a simple interface
- Redesigned complicated and powerful UIs to make them more approachable to new users
- Improved security of web sites and services by working with security analysts and implementing collaborative mediation plans

SOFTWARE ARCHITECT, AMADEUS CONSULTING — MAY 2008 - NOVEMBER 2010

Amadeus Consulting is a custom software development company and my experiences there were across many different projects and technologies. As an architect, I was also working at a higher level to ensure the success of projects and the teams that worked on them:

- Created high-level system designs with specific details around budget, risk mitigation, and flexibility
- Introduced or strengthened quality-improving practices like iterative design and development, continuous integration, and layered application patterns
- Trained and educated other developers through code and design reviews, mentoring, and introductory presentations on development topics like jQuery and Dependency Injection
- Created and improved a standardized build & continuous integration process
- Evaluated new tools and processes to integrate into everyday development

An example of a project I worked on as an architect was an enterprise system for an equipment rental startup. I evaluated the high-level and detailed business requirements for technical feasibility and created the development

plan that identified potential risks, provided a plan to mitigate them, and showed how we could use continuous integration to show our value and progress to the client throughout the project. In addition to being the primary developer for most of the project, I was the technical lead for the team that did form. I led design discussions, clarified requirements, and worked with the team lead to ensure that the development team was given well-defined tasks that made sense in the context of the larger project and that we could provide the best solution possible.

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER, AMADEUS CONSULTING — JUNE 2004 - MAY 2008

- Worked independently and as part of a team
- Quickly learned new systems and technologies
- Evaluated the feasibility and impact of proposed features
- Balanced value delivered with budget available

An example of a project I worked on here was an eCommerce SaaS Startup that hosted branded online stores for its customers, who then sold merchandise to the end customer. I started on this project as part of a small team, but over time became the sole developer and eventually trained others to work with the system. During the course of the project I was in constant communication with both technical and non-technical stakeholders in the project to better understand their requirements and support requests. Some of the features implemented included:

- Multiple payment processors
- Third party system integration / single sign on
- Flexible reporting
- Inventory management
- Coupon and discount system

EDUCATION

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology — BS, Computer Science, 2004

SKILLS

C#, ASP.NET WebForms and MVC, JavaScript, jQuery, CSS3 & HTML5, T-SQL, NHibernate & Fluent NHibernate, Autofac, Git, Node.js, Software Architecture and design principles

REFERRALS

Recommendations for my past work can be viewed on my LinkedIn profile

(<http://www.linkedin.com/profile/view?id=5063117#recommendations>) and referral information is available on request.