

KRISTEN M. VAN NESTE

Technical Project Manager / Senior Front-End Developer

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Summary

Thoughtful communicator, creative visionary, and compassionate leader. My unique blend of intuition, adaptability, and magnetic presence allows me to guide teams with depth, clarity, and a gift for expressing complex ideas in ways that spark transformation.

Projects

Modernizing the U.S. Census Bureau Data Dissemination Page

Managed two teams of 6 Agile developers to overhaul [data.census.gov](#).

- Received the Booz Allen Passionate Service Silver Award for the successful modern redesign that met client and accessibility standards.

Microsoft's AI for Earth Planetary Computer Launch

Collaborated with Microsoft's AI for Earth marketing team to build three [geospatial applications](#) utilizing the Planetary Computer.

- Successful launch with over 1 million webpage views in the first 3 months of the release.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Booz Allen Hamilton

Technical Project Manager / Senior Developer

2022 - Present

Federal contractor delivering technology and modern AI tools to clients.

- Lead cross-functional teams** of developers, designers, and data scientists, **delivering 13+ complex software projects** for high-profile clients, including Air Force One, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the Assistant Sec of Defense, within Top Secret environments.
- Achieve 100% on-time delivery** by utilizing my technical experience to develop comprehensive roadmaps and manageable timelines.
- Cultivate strong relationships** with stakeholders, **resulting in repeat client requests and project assignments** based on exceptional feedback and internal networking.
- Handpicked** to join the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers contract amid shifting priorities, **retained during a 30% downsizing phase and selected for mentorship** by senior leadership based on initiative, impact, and growth potential.
- Received the Passionate Service Silver Award** in Spring 2024 after directly partnering with the client to understand their needs, ensuring their vision was delivered on time, and earning a formal client request for recognition based on our successful collaboration.
- Promoted** from Lead Developer to Project Manager/Senior Developer in April 2023 in recognition of high-impact delivery, cross-functional leadership, and ability to bridge strategy with technical execution.

Conservation Science Partners

Lead Front-End Developer

2020 - 2022

Nonprofit established to meet the analytical and research needs of diverse stakeholders in conservation projects.

- Led** the development of interactive web maps to visualize environmental data for high-profile clients, including Microsoft and the Bureau of Land Management. Contributed to the successful delivery of 6 custom digital products for diverse stakeholders.
- Optimized 10,000+ lines of legacy code**, leading a successful migration to modern JavaScript frameworks, significantly improving system performance, scalability, and maintainability.
- Managed communication** between backend engineers and clients throughout the production process, ensuring alignment with project timelines and deliverables.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

React, Mapbox, Leaflet, HTML5, CSS3, TypeScript, JavaScript, Jira, Figma, Git

CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Yoga Instructor — Yoga Alliance (200 hour training program)

Certified ScrumMaster — Scrum Alliance

Certified Web Developer — The George Washington University

Education

University of Delaware

Bachelor of Science Degree with Distinction, Ecology and Wildlife Conservation

2013 - 2017