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BIO

Crutches made me a coder. Repeatedly sidelined by injuries from the sports I love, I left my product manager job to solve a serious problem for runners: finding the right shoe. Working part-time at a running store, I created an algorithm to match people's needs to shoes. But I couldn't code. No team to build the product, no product to attract a team: end of project. Since graduating from college, my entire career has been a series of experiences that ultimately ended in "If only I could code."

Studying philosophy, I learned to use logic to solve theoretical questions. When I started working in startups I realized how much I enjoy solving real world problems. Now at Flatiron, I've ignited a passion for technical challenges. Coding is the tool of change, and I'm excited to build solutions that can change lives.

APPLICATIONS BUILT

Pretender.io - *Rails, Postgres, Redis, Ajax*

When meeting someone new, pretender helps you know what to talk about

- + Collected individuals' interests from tweets, favorites, and the people they follow on Twitter
- + Implemented asynchronous Redis jobs for large tasks
- + Used Pusher to update frontend when Redis jobs are completed
- + Created service objects to simplify logic in controllers

[Github](#) | [Site](#)

Down to Earth - *Node.js*

Spin the globe and visit a streetview anywhere in the world

- + Animated spinning globe with WebGL Earth API
- + Rendered closest street view with GoogleMaps API
- + Simplified code with object orientated javascript

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Attack of the Reviews - *Rails, Ajax*

Aggregates restaurant reviews from Yelp, foursquare, and Google APIs

- + Normalized addresses to merge data from multiple APIs
- + Generated dynamic query based on marker location in embedded google map

[Github](#)

EDUCATION

Washington University in St. Louis, 2011
Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Helix Running

New York, NY

Founder

Apr 2014 - Apr 2015

- + Created algorithm to match user needs to shoes
- + Hired and managed two contract developers to build proof of concept that makes accurate recommendations
- + Released non-scalable MVP to gather early user feedback
- + Worked at the best running store in NYC, JackRabbit, to learn how they recommend shoes

Jirafe Analytics

New York, NY

Product Manager

Mar 2012 - Mar 2014

- + Managed product lifecycle across frontend and backend teams
- + Led major releases including our flagship analytics product and payment model
- + Distilled business needs into requirements, specs, and wireframes
- + Planned quarterly goals against product roadmap with Chief Product Officer

Timehop, FieldLens, & Matchbook

New York, NY

Shared Intern

Jan 2012 - Mar 2012

- + Developed competitive analysis reports for FieldLens that were given to investors
- + Supported customers and obtained product feedback for Matchbook
- + Contacted publications for Timehop marketing; facilitated features in two blogs

Craft Coffee

New York, NY

Intern

Oct 2011 - Dec 2011

- + Implemented new initiative to enhance delivery experience for customers for holiday rush season
- + Improved assembly line process for packaging by adding incremental efficiencies
- + Standardized and managed process for curating coffees and communicating with roasters