# Mary Briskin

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#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

- Experience building Ruby on Rails and Javascript Applications
- Proficiency in Ruby, C++, C, JavaScript, SQL, Python, HTML5, CSS, SCHEME
- Unix, Git, vim, ssh, etc.
- Knockout, Underscore, jQuery, React, Firebase
- HAML, Slim, Nokogiri, HTTParty, RSPEC, Capybara

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Software Engineer, FutureAdvisor, San Francisco, CA, January/2016 - April/2016

Developer (Part Time), Kabuni, Remote, August/2015 - November/2015

- Implement, test, and deploy features and bug fixes (JavaScript/Ruby)
- Stand-up meetings, code reviews

Web Developer, Whole New Home, Vancouver, BC, April/2015 - August/2015

- Worked on the design, implementation, documentation and maintenance of features
- Front-end features with JavaScript/jQuery/Slim, back-end features with Ruby/Rails
- Unit and acceptance testing with RSPEC/Capybara and FactoryGirl
- Completed projects include: pagination/endless-scroll, Facebook/linkedIn login, re-encryption of legacy passwords, commenting, user profiles, etc.

Ruby on Rails Intern, MenuSlate, January/2015 - March/2015

• Built a prototype Rails e-commerce platform with Spree

Social Media Intern, Hipstreet, Toronto, ON, January/2014 - May/2014

- Improved conversion rates, writing informative and persuasive product page copy
- Designed microsites to improve navigation and readability for clientele

Contract Copywriter, Dragon Taekwondo, Milton, ON, July/2013 - August/2013

• Drafted, filmed, and edited two video ads

### **EDUCATION**

**Candidate for Bachelor of Arts Degree**, Computer Science, Psychology, Business specialization, University of Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, 2012 - 2017

**Relevant Courses:** Data Types and Structures, Algorithm Design and Data Abstraction, Designing Functional Programs, Object Oriented Software Development, Databases **Awards:** 

- University of Waterloo Merit Scholarship, University of Waterloo, May 2012
- Dean's Honours List, University of Waterloo, May 2013 Present

#### RELEVANT PROJECTS

### Monopoly Game, C++

- Co-built a game of monopoly utilizing popular design patterns (singleton, factory, and observer)
- Planned and illustrated relationships between classes using a detailed UML diagram

## Movie Log, Ruby on Rails

- Integrated dynamic binding of data using knockoutJS
- Utilized jQuery's autocomplete functionality
- Utilized HTTParty to interface with external APIs

### Confused Shopper, JavaScript: Chrome Extension

- A prank Chrome extension that uses Regular Expressions to dramatically reduce prices
- Up to 100 users, 2 reviews, and 5 stars
- Reviewed and recommended by <a href="https://www.ilovefreesoftware.com">www.ilovefreesoftware.com</a>

#### Story Time, Android Studio

• Built a simple Android application

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#### **ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS**

YHack Participant, Yale University, November 6-8, 2015

• http://devpost.com/software/overflowing-real-time-collaboration

Hack the North Participant, University of Waterloo, September 18-20, 2015

Graphic Designer, Marketing and Advertising Club, January/2013 - April/2014

- Worked as part of a team to create mock advertising pitches
- Proficient in Photoshop, Illustrator, and InDesign

#### **LANGUAGES**

- Fluency in Russian
- Advanced Spanish
- Basic French