

# Matt Higgins

## Frontend Software Engineer

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I am a full stack web developer who succeeds best with MERN stack. I really enjoy frontend development with React because I understand it very well. I really enjoy creating wireframes and designing those to become real. I also enjoy communicating clearly to others who may be relying on those designs.

### SKILLS

**Languages** - JavaScript, HTML, CSS

**Databases** - MongoDB

**Libraries and Frameworks** - React, Redux, jQuery, Express, Bootstrap, Mongoose

**Other** - RESTful Routing, CRUD api, Stripe, React Routing, React Hooks

### EXPERIENCE

#### Fullstack Web Developer

April 2022 - Present

*ApostropheCMS | Remote - (Apostrophe, Javascript, Node, MongoDB, Nunchucks templating, OOP)*

- Managed clients through Zendesk - fixing bugs, creating new features, and implementing new designs.
- Pushed scalable, tested new features to both Apostrophe marketing site and client sites.
- Helped define new processes around deploying to clients and took over more responsibilities with that.
- Supported both external and internal tickets during sprint periods.
- Mentored 2 colleagues while onboarding to drive shared learning.

#### MERNGuide - [mernguide.com](#)

Aug 2021 - Present

*fullstack web app - (React, Stripe, Mongodb, Express, React, Node)*

- Built/building an online education platform from which others can learn how to build full stack MERN apps, first project outlines an ecommerce site with Stripe integration. Every lesson includes a video with step by step guidance, a repo commit to see the code added for that lesson, and every course has a Discord channel for questions and collaboration.

#### Takeibo Budgeting - <https://matthewhiggins415.github.io/takeibofrontend/>

Jan 2022 - Feb 2022

*fullstack cloud app - (Javascript, React, ApexCharts, Node, Framer-Motion, MongoDB, Express, Bcrypt)*

- Enabled users to manage personal expenses using the Japanese budgeting philosophy of Takeibo. Takeibo is referred to as the "art of saving money" in which daily expenses are categorized into four different groups to promote mindful spending.
- Implemented ApexCharts for reliable, dynamic data visualization of users total expenses defined by each category.
- Ideated from concept to feature starting with wireframes and user stories then into modular, reusable React components.

### EDUCATION

#### Full Stack Software Engineer Immersive Program

Aug 2021 - Mar 2022

*General Assembly | Remote*

- 500+ hour CS program focused on product development fundamentals, relational database, building full-stack web apps, object-oriented programming, MVC frameworks, data modeling, and team collaboration strategies.
- Designed, built, and deployed multiple full stack, responsive web apps. Strong focus on quickly learning new concepts and mentoring colleagues to help them overcome challenges.

#### Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

2012 - 2016

*University of Colorado | Boulder, CO*

- Accepted into prestigious CatalyzeCU program, an incubator for student-led businesses. Received \$10,000 in funding.
- Presented a business plan to 200+ potential investors. Partnered with 4 local businesses generating monthly revenue.

### PERSONAL

- Love surfing & am most successful working remote