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PROGRAMMING EXPERIENCE

Northwestern Coding Boot Camp, Remote

September 2020 – March 2021

Participated 24 week part-time full stack web development program, focused on gaining technical programming skills in HTML5, CSS3, Javascript, jQuery, Bootstrap, Node.js, MySQL, MongoDB, Express, Handlebars.js, Heroku, GitHub, MySQL, MongoDB, Express, & ReactJS. where I expanded my understanding of CS fundamentals and I built several projects.

Keep on Giftin' | Link to GitHub: [Link to GitHub](#) | [Link to Deployed Project](#)

- This application allows you to create a personal account where you will be able to keep track of events and holidays that certain friends and family celebrate, so that you can plan to give a gift or card to that person. The user is able to create individualized profiles for each friend and/or family member.
- Technologies: JavaScript, Handlebars, CSS, Bcryptjs v2.4.3, Express, Passport, Node.js Sequelize v6.4.0, MySQL, Heroku

Dinner-and-a-show | [Link to GitHub](#) | [Link to Deployed Project](#)

- This app uses the TVmaze API and the Zomato API to suggest restaurant and movie pairings based on the user's city. The movie suggestion is generated based on the cuisine of the restaurant populated by the city search.
- Technologies: HTML, JavaScript; CSS, TVmaze API, and Zomato API

Eat-Da-Burger | [Link to GitHub](#)

- This restaurant app lets users input the names of the burgers they'd like to eat. When a user submits a burger's name, the app will display the burger on the left side of the page. When the user clicks the 'Devour' button, the burger will move to the right side of the page and the app will store every burger in the database whether devoured or not.
- Technologies: JavaScript, Handlebars, CSS, Express, Node.js, MySQL

Team Profile Generator | [Link to GitHub](#)

- This project is a Node CLI that takes in information about employees and generates an HTML webpage that displays summaries for each person.
- Technologies: HTML, JavaScript; Inquirer.js, jest

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Golan Christie Taglia LLP | Chicago, IL

Hybrid Paralegal

April 2018 - Present

I currently support five attorneys in the Corporate Law & Governance practice group. This role supports lawyers by conducting research, drafting documents, preparing cases while simultaneously completing administrative duties.

Disparti Law Group, P. A. | Chicago, IL

Case Manager

September 2017 - April 2018

In the above role, I negotiated demand packages with claims adjusters saving firm resources from avoidable litigation.

Medical Record Specialist

February 2017- August 2017

In the above role, I established and implemented the employee onboarding processes for all new case managers and lien specialists and led a multi-state initiative to reduce departmental backlog by 97%. My responsibilities included maintaining a caseload of up to 400 clients.

EDUCATION

Illinois State University

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science

August 2013-May 2016 Normal, IL

Stendhal University

French CEFR, B2

July 2015 Grenoble, France

NON-TECHNICAL SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Skills: Attention to detail, comparative research, effective communication

Interests: yoga, podcasts