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Experience

Teckst, Inc., New York, NY

April – September 2016

Support Engineer

- Worked extensively with Twilio, Ruby on Rails, and CRMs like Zendesk and HelpScout to code new support features (internal) and texting customizations (clients).
- Performed all API / CRM app integrations for new clients of our texting platform, and conducted trainings via Skype.

ClearDigs, Inc., New York, NY

March – August 2015

Co-founder, Head of Product

- Managed a team of remote developers using Python, PHP, and JavaScript, and was actively involved in maintenance of our Postgres database.
- Oversaw the design and implementation of all new features for the web site, and provided a technical expertise at investor meetings.

StreetEasy / Zillow, Inc., New York, NY

December 2012 – December 2014

Senior Support Specialist

- Handled a high volume of feedback tickets and phone calls that dealt with site operations and user experience.
- Taught myself Ruby and MySQL to become more effective in my role, which ultimately led to my passion for development.

RTVi / Overseas Media Networks, Inc., New York, NY

June 2011 – July 2012

News Producer

- Produced breaking news segments with a Russian news crew on location in NYC, which often involved racing to the scene with a cameraman and reporter to get the scoop.
- Became the de facto Russian language interpreter for our news crew whenever necessary.

Education

Flatiron School

November 2015 – February 2016

Web development immersive

- An immersive 3-month course where I became proficient in Ruby, Rails, Javascript, Ember.js, jQuery, AJAX, Bootstrap, API usage, relational databases, front end design, and much more.
- Built several web apps as group projects using all key concepts learned during training.

University of Vermont, Burlington, VT

2007 - 2011

- Graduated *cum laude* with a 3.81 cumulative GPA and 4.00 major GPA.
- Double-majored in Russian Language and Film.

Skills and Interests

- Able to read, write, and speak Russian fluently as a second language.
- Always working on various side projects, currently including a text-based adventure game written entirely in Ruby, and a collection of short stories (thrillers and mysteries).