

# STARR Z. CHEN

Product-oriented, community-focused full-stack developer

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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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| Docker     | Jenkins CI   |
| Git        | Swagger      |
| Ruby       | JMeter       |
| Rails      | AWS          |
| JavaScript | RSpec        |
| jQuery     | Cucumber     |
| React.js   | Heroku       |
| Redux      | CSS          |
| Angular    | Sass         |
| PostgreSQL | Slim         |
| MongoDB    | Coffeescript |

## OTHER SKILLS

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Agile/Scrum Development  
Wireframing  
Google Analytics  
Mandarin Chinese  
French

## EDUCATION

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**General Assembly** – Washington, DC

- Web development immersive
- 12-week full-stack development training with a focus on industry best practices in object-oriented programming, MVC application design, and test-driven development

**University of Maryland, College Park**

- Bachelor of Science, Psychology
- Minor: Neuroscience
- University Honors

## CERTIFICATIONS

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**Certified Scrum Master (CSM)**  
March 2016, Scrum Alliance

## EXPERIENCE

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**Excella** – Arlington, VA  
Consultant, Software Development

- Developing features for large-scale legacy modernization projects for federal clients
- Released to thousands of users two (2) microservice applications structured on custom RESTful APIs
- Deploying production-ready updates with CI/CD
- Conducting user observations and usability tests to collect feedback and iterate on features

*Please reach out for additional details about software written for federal clients.*

## ACTIVITIES/INTERESTS

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### Internal Roles

- Ruby Book Club organizer
- Ruby Specialty Area organizer
- Designer and Developer Update editor
- Women in Technology Excella organizer

### Professional Organizations

- NoVa Code & Coffee
- DCFemTech
- Women in Technology DC
- Women Who Code DC

### Conferences & Hackathons

- RubyConf 2017 – *Opportunity Guide*, lightning talk speaker
- innoMAYtion 2017 - *Mentor*
- RubyConf 2016 – *Opportunity Scholar*, lightning talk speaker
- DevFest DC 2016
- Women in Tech Summit DC 2016
- Hack the Debate
- Hacking Journalism