


# Starr Z. Chen

Product-oriented, community-focused full-stack developer

## CONTACT

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## EDUCATION

### GENERAL ASSMEBLY

#### Web Development Immersive

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

#### UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK

Psychology (B.S.),  
Minor: Neuroscience

University Honors

## SKILLS

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

## CERTIFICATIONS

### Certified Scrum Master

Scrum Alliance

## EXPERIENCE

### Consultant, Software Development

March 2016 - Present

Excella Consulting

- Developed features for large scale legacy modernization projects for federal client
- Released two microservice applications structured on custom RESTful APIs to thousands of users
- Deployed production-ready updates with CI/CD
- Conducted user observations and usability tests to collect feedback and iterate on features

## VOLUNTEER WORK

### Internal Roles

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

### Professional Organizations

- NoVA Code & Coffee
- DC FemTech
- Women in Technology DC
- Women Who Code DC
- Women in Product DC

### Conferences and 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