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## **Education**

## Launch School - Software engineering school (Remote)

July 2022-December 2022

- ➤ Completed Ruby Backend course covering the following:
- > Ruby
  - A comprehensive core curriculum in Ruby focused on a deep understanding of the language's fundamental behaviors and a mastery of its tools.
  - A focus on writing efficient, maintainable, and reusable code.
  - Experience in developing network applications utilizing Ruby.
- > SQL
  - Hands-on experience translating application requirements into relationship structures and database schemas
  - Implementing CRUD operations using PostgreSQL
  - Develop functional applications implementing SQL
- Object Oriented Programming
  - Practice in developing well-organized and streamlined applications emphasizing DRY principles and testing for quality assurance.
- Subject Mastery
  - Thorough understanding of the fundamentals and complexities of Ruby, SQL, OOP, databases, and network communication
  - Demonstrated mastery through frequent assessments, including tests, code reviews, and live interviews

## Scrimba - Frontend coding school (Remote)

July 2022-August 2022

- Completed courses on the following:
- Javascript
  - Acquired a solid foundation in the language and its core concepts including variables, arrays, loops, and functions.
  - Developed experience utilizing those concepts to create dynamic and interactive web pages
- ➤ Html & CSS
  - Acquired the skills to create and style web pages.
  - Gained experience with HTML markup, CSS styling, and responsive design techniques.

## University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB)

August 2018 - June 2022

- > Bachelors of Arts (B.A.) in Sociology and (B.A.) in Writing and Literature
- > Conducted coursework in research methods, presentation development, public speaking, professional and creative writing, and basic statistics

# **Work Experience**

#### **Scrimba - Freelance Writer**

August 2022 - September 2022

- ❖ Wrote one article for the online coding school Scrimba
- Curated a list of 20 projects for beginner web developers and created graphic mockups for 8

### Word Magazine - General Staff and Poetry Editor

March - June 2021 and 2022

- ❖ Worked in collaboration with artists and multiple editors on 25+ person magazine staff
- Gathered and vetted poetry submissions to be published in magazine
- Performed 10+ professional interviews with community members and students
- Managed twitter posts and collaborated with a team to provide direction for the issue.

## Transverse Reading Project, Isla Vista CA - Intern

September 2020 - March 2021

- Participated in weekly intern meetings, learned how to utilize project software and navigate special research collections at UCSB library
- Encoded 20+ books and "Choose your own adventure" style stories into decision webs using project specific software to contribute to Tranverse Reading Gallery
- Developed new systems to encode different forms of multimedia stories

## The Bottom Line Newspaper, Isla Vista CA - Staff Writer

October 2018 - June 2019

- Worked with various section editors to pitch and complete 9 articles in various genres: social commentary, food reviews, event reviews, app reviews
- Conducted interviews, reached out to local companies and school administrators, attended events, and performed extensive journalistic research.

## America Reads America Counts, Goleta CA - Tutor

October 2019 - August 2020

- Tutored children at an afterschool program at El Camino Elementary school.
- Oversaw 30+ children; helping them with homework, supervising them during recesses and activities.
- Produced weekly scheduled activities in collaboration with other staff.

# **Publications**

- "20 achievable JavaScript project ideas for beginner web developers." Scrimba, August 2022. https://scrimba.com/articles/beginners-javascript-project-ideas/
- \* "Honey Lemon Cough Drops." The Catalyst, no. 18, Fall 2019, p. 35.
- ❖ "Old Shirt Full of Holes." *The Catalyst*, no. 18, Fall 2019, p. 39.
- \* "My Brother and I." Spectrum Summer Edition, 2021, p. 19.
- ❖ "Summer in Forest Grove, OR." *Spectrum Summer Edition*, 2021, p. 101.
- \* "Old Shirt Filled With Holes." Vagabond Multilingual Literary Journal, Spring 2020, p. 7.
- ❖ "Stealing Back Inches." *WORD*, no. 44, Fall 2021, pp. 20–22.
- **❖** "Two Step." *Matchbox Magazine*, no. 15, 2021, p. 40.
- ❖ Articles for The Bottom Line: <a href="https://thebottomline.as.ucsb.edu/author/tomas-palpallatoc">https://thebottomline.as.ucsb.edu/author/tomas-palpallatoc</a>