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SUMMARY

I graduated with a math degree in May, on time in four years. Within my four years I've also taken a semester off, after being chosen to participate in a software development boot camp course in Chicago. My primary goals are to work in a high performance culture where I can enhance my technical skill set, and contribute to a dynamic team. I'm most experienced in the Ruby and Javascript languages, but I'm always excited by the opportunity to learn new skills, languages, and technologies

EXPERIENCE

Development Intern, Rally Software

Boulder, CO — April, 2013 - February, 2014

As an intern at Rally, I was part of a team that designed and built an agile project management tool called waffle.io. I was responsible for writing Javascript and Coffeescript for the project. Agile development was a high priority, so pair programming and automated tests were the norm.

Accomplishments

- Learned Node.js quickly -- became proficient and productive
- Built high quality, maintainable software for the team
- Wrote popular blog posts, driving SEO and growing the user base

Student, The Starter League

Chicago, Illinois — Winter, 2013

After being selected to participate in the program, I prepared meticulously and learned about the basics of web development. Upon my arrival, I continued to work hard to learn Ruby, Rails, and a host of other web development technologies. The program culminated with a pitch night, where we showed off a project we'd worked on in teams.

Outcomes

- · Gained insights about, and more full understanding of, web development and the internet
- Learned Ruby and Rails both in and out of lectures
- Lead development for a Rails project to help keep track of your things

IT Intern, CH2M-Washington Group

Idaho Falls, Idaho - Summer, 2012

I had the opportunity to wear many hats and occupy many roles. I was involved in helping with hardware problems and also wrote HTML, CSS, and Javascript for an IT self-help website.

EDUCATION

Colorado State University

College of Natural Sciences, B.S. in Mathematics — 2010-2014
Recognized for my academic discipline and achievement - Dean's List - Fall 2011 and Fall 2012

Centaurus High School Pre-Engineering Academy

Graduated in May 2010

Honors and Awards

- Graduated Cum Laude with 3.9 Grade Point Average
- Lettered in academics and basketball, 2010

INTERESTS

I enjoy puzzles and games (I can solve a Rubik's cube in under 30 seconds), sports (I'll watch any basketball game), and my dog, Baxter, a chocolate labrador retriever.