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SUMMARY

I will graduate in May with distinction, 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 programming skill set, and contribute to a dynamic team. I would like to join a team that uses Ruby and Javascript, as I have a strong background with both languages.

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 test-driven development 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 software.

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.