ZAKI ARAIN

INTERDISCIPLINARY CHAMPION

ABOUT

A former teacher, and a lifelong student, my life can be tracked by one education after another. I consistently strive to seek out the gaps in my knowledge and work to fill them. My unconventional background and experience has allowed me to become a versatile employee who is always looking for new challenges.

REACH OUT

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EDUCATION

Dev Bootcamp
19 week intensive software development course with 9 weeks on-site, totaling roughly 1000 hours of coding. Dev Bootcamp strongly emphasizes learning how to learn efficiently. - Technologies learned include: Ruby, Rails, Javascript, Active Record, RSpec, Jasmine, Swift, HTML, CSS. - Test-Driven Development and Object Oriented Design principles practiced throughout. - Engaged in pair programming and small team projects regularly

St. John's College
Liberal Arts 2014
Studied the classic texts of Western thought with emphasis placed on the cultivation of critical thinking, development of scientific and expository writing skills, and cooperative study through shared dialogue. Public speaking and presentation were required daily throughout the four years of the program. Double Major in the History of Math and Science; Philosophy. Double Minor in Comparative Literature; Classical Languages.

Beshara School
6-Month Intensive Course in Esoteric Education 2010
Studied classic mystical and spiritual texts in supervised, in-depth group discussions. Supplemented the classroom education with work in the forest, on the farm, and in the house. Work included building houses, practicing sustainable forestry and permacultural farming, tending chickens, ducks, and geese, cleaning the house, as well as cooking and serving meals for up to 120 guests.

SKILLS

CONFIDENT: HTML/CSS, Sinatra, SQLite, Rails, RSpec, React Native, Javascript, NoSQL, Angular2, SASS
COMFORTABLE: AJAX, JQuery, Photoshop, Git, React, SQL, Ruby, Electron
PROFICIENT: Swift, PostgreSQL, Capybara, PHP, WordPress, C++, DoubleClick, S3

EXPERIENCE

Reach Creative — Chicago, IL
Web Developer — Apr 2017 to Current
- Build software suite with React Native, Angular 2, Electron, and Firebase
- Traffic ads on DoubleClick for National Geographic
- Build and maintain client WordPress sites built with SASS
- Implement ARIA accessibility standards on client websites, including McDonald's

Greygoo — Naperville, IL
Software Developer Intern — Nov 2016 to Feb 2017
- Maintain client WordPress websites.
- Track and troubleshoot bugs on Sifter.
- Learned React Native in order to build Odie, an iPhone app, from scratch according to client's specifications.

Dev Bootcamp — Chicago, IL
Graduate of Dev Bootcamp — Apr 2016 to Aug 2016
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- Test-Driven Development and Object Oriented Design principles practiced throughout.
- Engaged in pair programming and agile team projects regularly.

Great Hearts Academies — Scottsdale, AZ
Teaching Assistant — Jul 2015 to Jul 2016, Jul 2015 to Jul 2016
- Create rigorous, objective driven lessons for a both myself and the second-grade team.
- Create a focused environment of respect that encourages students to take risks and strive to reach goals. Establish, model, practice, and reinforce age-appropriate rules and logical consequences.
- Communicate respectfully and thoughtfully with parents and guardians of students. Initiate and maintain timely communication with parents/guardians concerning student progress and to provide a clear picture of the curriculum and the high expectations

A Woman's Touch — Santa Fe, NM
Landscaper — Jun 2013 to Aug 2013, Jun 2013 to Aug 2013
- Provided extraordinary service to all clients, e.g. cut a 1-acre lawn with scissors at client's request.
- Property manager for a client's 10-acre forest and garden, maintaining $20,000 worth of plants, flowers, paths, and irrigation systems.
- Coordinated with contractors, suppliers, and artists to meet client deadlines.

Neurodiagnostic Clinic of Milwaukee — Milwaukee, WI
Office Assistant — Mar 2010 to Jun 2015
- Responsible for making appointments, processing patient information, and calling insurance companies, and hospitals, and physicians to ensure excellent patient care.
- Transcribed dictations, organized patient files, and assisted in transitioning our medical records into two different electronic medical record systems.
- Provided basic technical setup and support of clinic computers. Entered patient and visit data into billing software to ensure proper billing processes took place.

CVS Pharmacy — Milwaukee, WI
Pharmacy Technician — Sep 2008 to Sep 2009
- Responsible for taking patient information, calling insurance companies to ensure best coverage, and reaching out to physicians to confirm prescriptions.
- Filling prescriptions, maintaining inventory on store medication, and providing excellent customer service were among my daily responsibilities.

PROJECTS

Repose
Repose is a native iOS app created to help manage and monitor anxiety that affects 20% of adults in America. Built using Swift, with a Rails backend and API. Technologies used to build this app include ResearchKit, CocoaPods, AlamoFire, Google Maps API, and Bootstrap.

VOLUNTEERING

St. John's College - Legacy Committee · Chairperson — Sep 2013 to May 2014
Santa Fe, NM
- Raised $9,000 for the Student Emergency Fund among the 66 members of the class of 2014.
- Brainstormed methods to engage graduating classes into the alumni community, and establish good giving habits.
- Appointed by the Vice President, Dean, and Assistant Dean to serve on this committee permanently.