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**Objective:**

Graphic Designer with 4+ years of experience seeing creative ideas through from initial concept to final product seeking to transition into web development and the tech industry.

**Education:**

- **Eleven Fifty Academy, Web Development Immersive Learning Program, Indianapolis, IN, August 2021**
  - 24-week immersive learning program for Web Development taught with industry-guided curriculum, real-world project-based learning, and 500+ hours of logged coding time and training
  - Won Integrity EFA Core value Award
- **Ball State University, Bachelor of Arts in Telecommunications, Minor in Digital Publishing, Muncie, Indiana, May 2012**

**Competencies & Functional Skills:**

Problem solving, troubleshooting, creativity, visual communication, customer service, critical observation and thinking, organization, Agile methodology, portfolio development, addressing and resolving business challenges

**Technical Skills:**

**Languages:** JavaScript, Node.JS, React, Heroku & Firebase deployment, TypeScript deployment

**CI/CD:** Git

**Databases:** SQL Server

**Web Technologies:** HTML, CSS, APIs, stateless components, session validation, responsive web design

**Technical Projects:**

- **JotDown Journaling App <http://jotdownbook.herokuapp.com/>**
  - Utilized React, Postgres, Material UI, and TypeScript to create a minimalist journaling app
- **D-20 Meal Finder <https://ams-api-2.web.app/>**
  - Utilized HTML 5, CSS 3, Bootstrap 4, and Edamam API to create a recipe finding app
- **Pokémon Team Randomizer <https://amaxwellshaffer.github.io/pokemonAPI/>**
  - Utilized HTML 5, CSS 3, JavaScript, and PokeAPI to create a random Pokémon team generating app

**Professional Experience:**

**Graphic Artist, A-1 Awards, Indianapolis, IN, Oct 2018 – Present**

- Working directly with clients and overseeing assembly to ensure customer satisfaction as well as efficient use of materials and quality of final products.
- Won “Most Creative Retailer Product” for trophy design at 2020 Awards & Personalization Association National Expo.
- Serving on the Web Team during complete company website overhaul, generating product images, optimizing user experience, and setting up pages with Odoo XML and CSS editor.
- Creating multiple complete series of fast-selling products, inventive displays for trade shows, as well as packaging and promotion materials.
- Acting as interim Graphics Team manager, overseeing orders, artwork, and printing for four months during production department restructuring.
- Designing and building custom awards for USA track & Field, USA Gymnastics, National Ninja League, and other clients both local and worldwide.

**Sales Team Member, Menard’s Hardware, 2014 - 2018**

- Completed manager-level advancement course, learning how to utilize store systems and policies across all departments.
- Trained new employees in hardware department stock crew procedures.