

MARIA FORTINO

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FULL STACK SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

Solutions-driven developer committed to breaking down complex problems while maintaining a strong focus in accessibility. Certified Professional Scrum Master (PSM I) with a background in law and education, skilled at facilitating high-quality and timely results for cross-functional teams, fulfilling all phases of software development lifecycle (SDLC).

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages, Frameworks, Protocols: JavaScript, jQuery, Python, Node.js, HTML, CSS, Express, Handlebars, React

Management & Deployment: Git, GitHub, Heroku

Databases: MongoDB, Mongoose, SQL, PostgreSQL

Methodologies/Testing: Object Oriented Programming, REST, MVC, Test-Driven Development, Responsive Design, Scrum, Authentication, User Stories, ERDs, Wire-framing. Jest, Selenium, 508 Compliance, Axe, JIRA

EDUCATION

General Assembly, Software Engineering Immersive Program, Washington, D.C. 2019

Stanford University, Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, Stanford, CA 2012

- Captain & MPSF All-Academic Selection, NCAA Division I Lacrosse | AmeriCorps Member, JusticeCorps

EXPERIENCE

General Assembly, *Software Engineering Immersive Program Graduate*, Washington, D.C. Dec '18 - Mar '19

Completed a full-time, thirteen-week, software development immersive program that included over 500 hours of professional training focused on industry best practices in Object-Oriented Programming, Agile Methodologies, REST, MVC frameworks, Data Modeling, and Test-Driven Development. Utilized a hands-on approach to focus on real-world application of JavaScript, React, Python, Express and MongoDB. Developed a portfolio of individually and collaboratively focused projects, including:

- **A11y Toolkit**, a fully accessible (508/WCAG compliant) site for developers to build accessible web formats with optimal SEO performance, built with React, Gatsby.js, and Axe.
- **Breather**, a full-stack application deployed on Heroku for teams to cultivate mindfulness through intention setting and meditation, built with MongoDB, Express, Handlebars, and Node.
- **Snack Tracker**, a full-stack application for users to keep track of their favorite restaurants, built with MongoDB, Express, React and Node.
- **National Parks Trivia Game**, a self-scoring trivia game built with JavaScript, HTML and CSS.

YoKid, *Curriculum Developer & Teacher*, Washington, D.C. Sep '16 - Nov '18

- Designed and implemented certified yoga and meditation curricula along with leadership tools for over 800 youth and educators to support various developmental stages and needs using evidence-based research.
- Assured timely project completion through collaboration with corporate sponsors, educators, therapists, coaches, health professionals, parents, and students.

American Immigration Lawyers Association, *Business Immigration Liaison Coordinator*, Washington, D.C. Apr '15 - Sep '16

- Worked closely with IT to implement database changes thereby improving usability, efficiency, and functionality of CRM system.
- Managed the prosecution of cases pending at USCIS Service Centers and other government agencies on behalf of AILA membership, over 15,000 immigration attorneys.

White & Case, *International Arbitration Legal Assistant*, Washington, D.C. Jun '13 - Oct '14

- Managed arbitration, trade, and investment cases before the International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID), World Trade Organization (WTO), and U.S. courts.
- Facilitated high-quality and timely results across clients, partners, associates, subject matter experts, government officials, and vendors in a high-stakes environment.

INVITED TALKS

A11y: Making Web Accessibility Accessible, Hacking "Show and Tell", Mindspace, Washington, D.C.

Mar '19