

- Summary** Technology leader with over 10 years of experience building and mentoring high performance teams pooling together individual talents to accomplish great things.
- Experience**
- Zalando**, Berlin, Germany
Delivery Lead (January 2016 – Present) – 5 teams, 35 direct reports
- Launched the Merchant Center, the doorway to Zalando's marketplace allowing brands and retailers to sell their products on the Zalando fashion store.
 - Built 5 engineering teams to handle topics including inventory management, order management, and API gateway to support the Merchant Center.
 - Member of the hiring committee evaluating candidates coming through the interview process and making hire/no-hire decisions.
- Borderfree**, New York, NY
Director of Engineering (April 2015 – January 2016) – 2 teams, 8 direct reports
- Created new integration platform consisting of REST API's and JavaScript client libraries to allow for lightning fast implementation.
 - Spearheading standardization of development workflow across entire business.
 - Implemented a standardized release process using Git, Jira, and Bamboo to achieve fully automated and documented deployments.
- Software Engineering Team Lead* (December 2013 – April 2015) – 4 direct reports
- Hired a new engineering team for special projects.
 - Architected the cross-border e-commerce checkout process that integrates with 200 merchant websites using technologies like Node.JS, AngularJS, Scala, Redis, and MongoDB.
 - Integrated Alipay, PayPal, and Adyen payment methods into international checkout process.
- Kaplan Test Prep** (a subsidiary of Washington Post Co), New York, NY
Executive Director of Engineering (September 2012 – May 2013) – 5 direct reports
- Created learningpod.com, an open platform for creating and sharing educational content like lessons and quizzes.
 - Made online products mobile-friendly using HTML5, CSS3, and JavaScript as part of an overall mobile strategy.
 - Pioneered use of cloud-based hosting using Amazon Web Services (AWS).
 - Standardized and automated the release process using Git and Jenkins in order to decrease release management time from days to minutes.
- Director of Application Development* (May 2010 – September 2012) – 8 direct reports
- Created a more holistic student experience for Kaplan's LSAT product using technologies like Grails and MongoDB.
 - Delivered an automated teacher assignment designed to streamline business processes and take the guesswork away from faculty administration.
 - Transitioned the company from waterfall to Scrum & Kanban by coaching and mentoring Scrum Masters throughout the organization.
 - Architected enterprise REST API to leverage legacy business systems, learning management system and student data for rapid development of multi-platform products.
- Newsweek** (a subsidiary of Washington Post Co), New York, NY
Manager of Web Development (June 2009 – April 2010) – 5 direct reports
- Relocated to New York office to build out new technology team including front-end developers, project managers, and information architects to migrate the website to a new platform. The team successfully re-launched newsweek.com in 2010.
 - Drove RFP process to select the next-generation content management system.
 - Built and deployed production applications developed on LAMP stack including Newsweek's Green Rankings list and Newsweek's Best of the Best Books List.
- Washingtonpost.Newsweek Interactive** (a subsidiary of Washington Post Co), Arlington, VA
Development Manager (March 2008 – June 2009) – 5 direct reports
- Managed day-to-day development operations for Newsweek technology team while interfacing with business owners, 3rd party vendors and services, and technical staff. The site supported about 1-2 million page views/day peaking at about 10 million.
 - Introduced the Scrum process to technology and business teams to ensure transparency and organization.
- Senior Developer* (January 2007 – March 2008)

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- Re-launched newsweek.com, moving the site off of the MSNBC.com platform by repurposing Slate's .NET-based content management system.
- Optimized content management system to scale up to 1 million page views/hour using a variety of caching strategies. Implemented techniques for decreasing page load down to 2 seconds.

Hanley Wood, Washington, DC

Developer Lead (January 2005 – January 2007)

- Lead a team of 3 to rebuild eplans.com and ebuild.com converting VB/COM/ASP to .NET/ASPX.
- Architected an MVC-like site framework using ASP.NET and XSLT for rapid development of transactional, e-commerce sites.
- Unified two major databases that were developed independently after the acquisition of a competing house plans business.

The Arlington Group, McLean, VA

Software Developer (August 2004 – December 2004)

United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS), Richmond, VA

Application Engineer III (July 2002 – August, 2004)

Duke Capital Partners, Charlotte, NC

Independent Consultant (March 2002 - July 2002)

Integrated Technology Enterprises, Charlotte, NC

System Consultant (January 2001 - March 2002)

Computer Skills

Languages: Java, C#, JavaScript, Groovy, Scala, PHP, Visual Basic, HTML5/CSS, XSLT/XML, SQL

Frameworks: AngularJS, jQuery, NodeJS, Play2, Grails, .NET, ASP.NET

Databases: MongoDB, MySQL, Oracle, Microsoft SQL Server

Other: OOP, MVC, Hibernate, Design Patterns, SOAP/REST/Web Services, AJAX (XHR), SEO, Scrum & XP, SEO, Redis, Omniture, Google Analytics

Certifications

Certified Scrum Professional (CSP), Certified Scrum Master (CSM), Microsoft Certified Solutions Developer (MCSD)

Education

M.S. in Information Technology (May 2002) - University of North Carolina at Charlotte

B.A. in Psychology (June 1999) - University of Chicago

Activities

Member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

Member of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)