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General Field of Work

Computer Science / Programming

Undergraduate Education

Universidad de Buenos Aires for Computer Science
Minor: No reply

Undergraduate Non-Academic Interests: No reply

Graduate Education

No reply

Professional Societies or Organizations

No reply

What high school academic interests led to your college & career path?

Physics, economics and an exposure to mechanics

Please briefly describe your path to your current job

Started as a web developer in 2008 for the marketing department of a famous computer antivirus company. At the same company, I migrated to IT as a web applications developer roughly a year and a half later. In 2011 I joined a hosting company as a software engineer, where I've hopped different departments and projects, including a federal government contract.

What are a few things that you like best about your job?

Problem solving and the diversity of issues encountered. In my field, problems can come in all shapes or forms, and you have to get familiar with these issues in order to craft a solution.

What are the most important technical skills needed in your job?

Software design (or, planning a piece of software before writing it) and coding in your language of choice.

What are the most important non-technical skills needed in your job?

Creativity, logical thinking, organization.

What are some of the most challenging aspects of your job?

There are days in which you do not feel like learning something new. This is a very dynamic field, and the tools and knowledge I had back in 2008, if not evolved, wouldn't be useful today. The constant evolution and rapid change means that you never feel you're a true expert, you just start thinking of yourself as a 'very good learner'.

Any advice for students about to begin their college career in September?

No reply