Marcela Poffald

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Experience

Technology Lead (Remote)

November 2022 - January 2024

Fluree

- Spearheaded establishment of project management processes for backend engineering team:
 - Instituted and led team meetings, including standups, backlog grooming meetings, and architecture discussions.
 - Established norms and conventions around ticket creation and project board management.
 - Coordinated across development teams and with executives to specify work, establish timelines, and mitigate risks to delivery.
- Owned and coded key deliverables on major revision of flagship product as part of company-wide adoption of JSON-LD standard.
- Implemented features such as temporal queries, new API endpoints, and constraint enforcement based on SHACL rules; contributed to modernization of asynchronous Clojure programming throughout codebase.

Senior Software Engineer (Remote)

June 2021 - *November* 2022

- Increased team velocity and alignment with business priorities by improving project management practices.
- Prepared and presented a proposal to leadership for a significant new data analytics and visualization project. Subsequently collaborated on research for its future implementation and delivery of a proof-of-concept UI.
- Proactively improved communications with an adjacent UI team to synchronize specifications and priorities with backend team.
- Collaborated on a clear step-by-step plan to restructure a project without its database, which was successfully implemented by other teammates with no disruption to functionality.
- Researched and implemented an algorithm that improved data quality by inferring missing threat intelligence information.
- Contributed to an open-source graph database written in Clojure.

Software Engineer (Remote)

December 2018 - May 2020

Sparkfund

- Wrote user stories, led implementation, and created extensive documentation for new application; worked directly with vendors, internal domain experts, and product team.
- Led multiple dev retros.
- Collaborated with a team of 6 engineers to deliver customer-facing portal that visualized IoT data, using Clojure/ClojureScript, GraphQL, and Amazon Kinesis streams.
- Onboarded and mentored new engineers via code review and pair programming.

Customer Success Specialist

March 2018 - December 2018

GetCheddar, Inc

- Collaborated across the company to incorporate user feedback into feature specification and roadmap planning.
- Provided expert support to developers integrating their applications with the GetCheddar API.
- Led company-wide GDPR compliance effort.
- Wrote technical documentation and knowledge base articles, both internal and external.

Education

M.S. in Computer Science

May 2017

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

B.A. in Conceptual Design with Departmental Honors

May 2010

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