# **German Cruz**

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## Software Engineer

Experienced Software Engineer and Lead Instructor with a solid track record of building scalable web applications and leading innovative projects. Adept at designing efficient data structures, automations, and custom tools to support scalable business processes. Proficient in React, Angular, Ruby on Rails, and SQL. Committed to improving team productivity and code quality through collaborative efforts.

## Skills

- Languages: JavaScript, HTML, CSS, TypeScript, Ruby, SQL, NoSQL
- **Frameworks/Libraries**: Ruby on Rails, React, Redux, Angular, Next.js, Express, Prisma, Turbo, Stimulus, Astro, Wordpress
- Tools: Git/Github, Jira, CI/CD, Docker
- Technologies: Node.js, Redis, PostgreSQL, SQLite, Bootstrap, Tailwind CSS, AWS Services

## Work Experience

### Codefi - Cape Girardeau, Mo

Software Engineer

- Led the development and maintenance of full-stack web applications for startup MVPs, handling both frontend and backend development.
- Managed multiple solo and small-team projects, working closely with product managers and UI/UX designers to ensure feature alignment with business goals and technical feasibility.
- Played a key role in feature discovery and definition, collaborating with stakeholders to refine requirements from concept to deployment.
- Mentored interns and junior developers in professional development practices, Agile methodologies, and task breakdown. Provided hands-on support through pair programming, code reviews, and guidance on best practices.
- Improved team productivity by implementing efficient communication strategies between clients, designers, and developers, ensuring that blockers were quickly addressed and milestones met.
- Developed APIs and custom tools to automate business processes.

### Lead Instructor

July 2021 - May 2024

- Revamped the full-stack development curriculum, increasing student job placements by 25%.
- Mentored over 200 tech professionals, contributing to their successful transition into the workforce.

### **Community Impact**

### Springfield Devs - sgf.dev

Board of Director

- Streamlined event planning and coordination processes to enhance efficiency and ensure the successful execution of workshops, seminars, and networking meetups.
- Developed and implemented strategic plans for SGF Devs, focusing on growth and community engagement.

#### July 2021 - Present

Feb 2023 - Present