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# Ryan Laughlin

## résumé

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### Education

*2007–2009, 2010–present*  
Yale University  
Computer Science  
GPA 3.79

*2003–2007*  
Middlesex School  
Diploma with Highest Honors  
GPA 93.73

### Skills

#### **Web Development**

Over the past five years I have done all manner of work on the web, from building robust web applications in Ruby on Rails to exploring the cutting edge of HTML5 and CSS3. I am just as comfortable diving into an existing code base as I am building a site from scratch.

#### **Offline Development**

Though my recent work has been mostly web-based, in the past I've worked with everything from desktop apps to fire-fighting robots. I have a strong grounding in C, Java, and Ruby and a basic familiarity with Objective C.

#### **Design**

Since 2008, I have done graphic design work both on- and offline, creating materials for web and for print, including an original site design for a successful start-up, an interactive art installation, and a street art project that earned mentions on Boing Boing and in London's Daily Telegraph.

### Experience

**SocialSci**  
UI/UX lead

As employee #4 of this Boston-based start-up, I crafted the site's design and spearheaded development of the user-facing front-end. SocialSci now has over \$500K in seed funding and is serving top social science labs at universities like Yale and MIT.  
*Duration: February 2010–present*

**Pinch Pad**  
Creator

For the launch of Apple's iPad, I built a free note-taking web app utilizing cutting-edge features of HTML5, including local storage and full offline support. I later revisited this app as the basis for my hourly comics project, in which I kept a journal of my life by posting live sketches to Tumblr and Twitter during every waking hour for an entire month.  
*Duration: February–April 2010, January–February 2011*

**prettydang**  
Freelance developer/designer

In the fall of 2009, rather than return to Yale as a junior I elected to take a gap year to hone my web development skills, moving to Seattle, WA and doing web site creation for various clients.  
*Duration: May 2009–present*

### Experience (cont.)

**Shifts + Reservations**  
Student developer

As part of an eight-person team, I worked on an internal Yale web app called Shifts, built for managing and scheduling the student worker population. I also led development on a new app called Reservations, an online system for equipment checkouts.  
*Duration: March–October 2009*

### Honors and Miscellanea

*2007*  
Finalist  
National Merit Scholarship

*2004, 2007*  
Prize in Computer Science  
Middlesex School

I also have a passion for music that stretches back to childhood. Since 2009, I've been performing as The Bare Minimum, a one-man band of synthesizers, drums, vocals, and loop pedal.

### References

Available on request.