

Ryan Fernandez

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EDUCATION

09/2007 to 12/2011

University of Southern California
Master of Arts in Economics
Dornsife College of Letters, Arts & Sciences Class of 2011

01/1995 to 05/2000

University of Illinois at Chicago
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
College of Engineering Class of 2000

WORK EXPERIENCE

01/2025 to Present

Project Manager

Illinois Department of Central Management Services via Manpower – Springfield, IL

- Administer Illinois State employee security badge identification system on Hirsch Velocity, including issuing badge credentials, performing badge resets, and adding door access to employee profiles.
- Monitor the agency's security email accounts to analyze and organize projects.
- Manage a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet of current security projects.

07/2022 to Present

Computer Science Tutor

Varsity Tutors, Wyzant, Brainfuse, The Princeton Review – Remote

- Provide tutoring and instruction for Computer Science programs at top 100 universities such as Penn, Illinois, Washington, Northeastern, USC, Duke, Ohio State, Colorado, Texas A&M, Michigan, Arizona State, Rutgers, Tufts, Oregon, Miami, Tennessee, and Florida State.

04/2022 to 08/2022

Accounting Lead

Illinois Department of Human Services via Manpower – Springfield, IL

- Entered and verified data into SAP for DHS Cash Management Unit.
- Performed accounting duties such as check batching.

08/2015 to Present

Founder and CEO

MenuGem – Springfield, IL

- Engineered entire MenuGem e-commerce platform: www.menugem.com

09/2005 to 08/2015

Assistant Director, IT and New Media

University of Southern California – Los Angeles, CA

- Developed web applications in PHP using Apache / MySQL, HTML5, JavaScript, CSS3, XML.

01/2003 to 08/2005

IT Director

HotHouse Center for International Performance and Exhibition – Chicago, IL

- Created internal database for selling concert tickets for \$300,000 in ticket sales.

08/2000 to 09/2002

Developer

Studio North – Visual Communications Group – North Chicago, IL

- Built and maintained dynamic web applications for the public and B2B.

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