

# Nick Marker

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Southern California, Viterbi School of Engineering**

**Los Angeles, CA**

*B.S. in Computer Science and Game Development, Minor in Web Development*

August 2021-May 2026

- **GPA:** 3.85; SAT: 1540/1600
- **Honors:** Dean's Honor List, Alpha Lambda Delta, High School Valedictorian
- **Relevant Coursework:** Front-End Development, Back-End Development, Advanced Python, C++ Programming, Fundamentals of Computation, Discrete Methods in Computer Science, Linear Algebra

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Pillar4 Media**

**Charlotte, NC**

*Front-End Developer*

June 2023-August 2023

- Optimize front-end functionality of brand sites by developing JavaScript, HTML, and CSS code that served a daily user base of over 1,500 individuals
- Build out 25 updated site pages for a single brand responsible for \$2,000 of the daily revenue
- Employ various SQL queries to extract and organize user-interaction data with relation to specific site pages and respective revenue across 8 different company operated brands
- Conduct over 15 split and multivariate Front-End tests to elevate element user conversion rate by at least 2.0%
- Facilitate collaboration between design and engineering teams, maintaining a site take rate increase of at least 5%

**Amata Agency**

**Los Angeles, CA**

*Web Developer*

July 2022-January 2023

- Develop weekly email and web page prototypes using HTML and CSS serving a user base of 1,000+ viewers
- Revamp web landing pages around client restrictions and improve site SEO through meta tag manipulation
- Communicate directly with clients on project updates to meet strict deadlines, maintaining a retention rate of 88%

## PROJECTS

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**Ekko, Winner at Stanford Treehacks 2024**

February 2023-February 2023

- Awarded "Together.AI Award for Best Project Built on Open Source AI Programs and Models" and "Best Use of Bun Award" at 2024 Stanford Treehacks, totaling to \$5,000 in prize money
- Integrated ElevenLabs TTS model and Deepgram's STT for seamless audio conversations, leveraging Convex.dev for efficient data hosting, authentication services, function calls to the vector database
- Implemented Bun's Elysia.js server along with Together.AI's models for response generation and text embeddings
- Trained a text classification model with scikit-learn, using synthetic data to match ACTFL proficiency guidelines

**DESY, Founder**

August 2023-December 2023

- Founded and led the development of DESY, a Figma plugin aimed at streamlining design system compliance
- Acquired 30 users in the first two weeks of launch, cutting design costs by 30% and development time by 50%
- Strategized monetization and sustainable growth through spearheading multiple subscription models
- Implemented JavaScript, the Figma plugin API, HTML, and CSS to build the plugin, collaborating with a designer to iteratively enhance the user experience

## LEADERSHIP

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**University of Southern California**

**Los Angeles, CA**

*Front-End Development Teaching Assistant (promoted from Web Development TA)*

January 2023-Present

- Top performer out of 40 students in React, JavaScript, and HTML/CSS programming for web apps
- Instruct 30 students during weekly lab sessions and office hours, along with grading all assignments

## SKILLS, ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS

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**Programming:** React, C++, Python, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, React Native, SQL, PHP

**Design:** Figma, Adobe Creative Suite, Google Analytics, Webflow, Squarespace, WordPress, Miro

**Activities:** Recruitment Director for Sigma Eta Pi (SEP), LavaLab active member

**Interests:** rock climbing, cooking, horror films, sketching, 3D modeling, cross country