

Ricardo Gaona

Software Engineer with 4+ years of experience

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Skills

Languages: TypeScript, JavaScript, Python, Go, Java, Ruby, C/C++

Technologies: Next.js, React, React Native, Expo, NestJS, Django, GraphQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, Liquid

Tools: GitHub, GitLab, Postman, Jira, Figma, GitHub Actions, Vercel, Railway, Heroku, DBEaver, EAS Build

Experience

Software Engineer, Willdom Contractor, Client: Learning Through Art Aug 2023 – Present

- Fixed critical bugs and optimized performance in the React Native app, reducing book download times by 40% and significantly improving overall user experience and stability.
- Built a React.js dashboard to surface user analytics and key metrics, enabling stakeholders to make faster, data-driven decisions and improving reporting efficiency.
- Designed and developed a React.js admin portal for managing and uploading book content, streamlining content operations and reducing update turnaround time.

Software Engineer, Willdom Contractor, Client: Pvolve Jan 2025 – Nov 2025

- Led the development of a Studio Acquisition Widget used across marketing landing pages, increasing lead conversion rates by 20%.
- Integrated Meta Pixel and Google Analytics to track user behavior and funnel performance, enabling more accurate campaign optimization and improving conversion visibility.
- Resolved critical issues in the Shopify storefront, contributing to a 15% increase in completed purchases

Software Engineer, Willdom Contractor, Client: OutFit Training Jun 2024 – Dec 2024

- Developed and maintained features across mobile (React Native) and web (Next.js) platforms using TypeScript, improving cross-platform consistency and reducing UI-related issues.
- Designed and implemented GraphQL APIs using Koa, Prisma, and Nexus, improving data access performance and enabling real-time workout and trainer data delivery.
- Delivered end-to-end features in an Agile environment, consistently documenting releases in Jira and leading stakeholder demos to align on product direction and progress.

Software Engineer, Willdom Contractor, Client: South Atlantic Packaging Jun 2021 – Jul 2023

- Built a web application using Next.js and React Bootstrap, integrating with a GraphQL API via Hasura to streamline labor tracking and product promotion workflows, reducing manual effort by 45%.
- Managed backend data structures by writing PostgreSQL scripts, stored procedures, and updating the GraphQL schema through Hasura, improving data reliability and query performance.
- Automated CI/CD pipelines using GitHub Actions, ensuring consistent and reliable deployments across environments and reducing release-related issues.

Education

National University of Asunción, Software Engineering

Feb 2018 – Dec 2022