

# Michael Gershman

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## OBJECTIVE

Seeking a challenging position with an opportunity for advancement in the field of Software Development to utilize my educational background and work experience.

## SKILLS

**Languages/Standards:** .NET, ActiveX, ASP, C, C++, CGI, DHTML, HTML, CSS, HTTP, Java, JavaScript, ODBC, SQL, VB, VBA, VBScript, XML.

**Web Design:** Adobe Dreamweaver.

**Graphic Design:** Adobe Photoshop, Corel Paint Shop Pro.

**Operating Systems:** MacOS, Windows 95/98/2000/XP/NT, UNIX.

**Databases:** Oracle, SQL Server.

**Web Servers/Browsers:** Microsoft Internet Information Server, Netscape Web Server, Internet Explorer, Netscape Navigator, Mozilla Firefox.

**General:**

1. Object-oriented design and programming techniques.
2. Client-based and server-based development.
3. Familiarity with Web/Intranet based standards.
4. Ability to design and build prototypes to establish requirements or prove concepts.
5. Competence to accurately estimate tasks and meet schedules.
6. Excellent research and analysis skills.
7. Excellent communications and interpersonal skills.

## EXPERIENCE

[MichaelGershman.com](http://MichaelGershman.com) (Schaumburg, IL)

05/18/1999 - present

**Webmaster**

Apply knowledge of JavaScript, HTML and CSS technologies to the personal web site. Design, develop, implement and maintain it on a daily basis.

[I.T. Quality Group, Inc.](#) (Buffalo Grove, IL)

07/1/2003 - 01/07/2004

**Java Language Application Development Program**

*Successfully completed hands-on project:*

- Applied knowledge of Java technologies to the real multi-tier application.
- Designed, developed, implemented and tested multi-tier e-commerce system for the "CD Store".
- Main part allows entering and changing of the information in the store collection, selecting and ordering of CDs with the desired music or music of desired authors and downloading of the music samples.
- Additional part one allows customer profiling and presenting of the CD information according to the customer preferences.
- Additional part two allows main page customization, publishing of the CD ads and presenting them according to the customer profile.
- Created and completed the system design including architecture, utilized technologies and database design.
- Created the system documentation.

[Open Text, Co.](#) (Bannockburn, IL)

05/18/1998 - 06/30/2003

**Software Developer**

*Primary Duties:*

8. Developing new features and enhancing existing functionality for Livelink application.
9. Research problems discovered by Quality Assurance team and develop effective solutions.
10. Present designs to project team for review.
11. Prepare technical documentation for product modules.
12. Conduct the unit and integration testing for functionality and limits.

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Livelink is highly scalable e-business application. Its richly-featured enterprise services include virtual team collaboration, business process automation, enterprise group scheduling and information retrieval services, all tightly integrated into a solution that is easily customized and extended.

**Gallagher Bassett Services, Inc.** (Itasca, IL)

**04/10/1995 - 05/15/1998**

## **Programmer/Analyst**

Involved in Client/Server project, Risk Financial and Administrative Control System (RISX-FACS), utilizing Visual Basic 5.0 with the responsibilities of:

13. Gathering customer requirements.
14. Analyzing complex technical problems.
15. Assisting in establishing new technical architecture.
16. Developing component-oriented business objects and prototyping.
17. Creating and maintaining documentation.

For highly specific and individualized risk management information, proprietary information systems like Gallagher Bassett's RISX-FACS system provides on-line access to real-time claim and loss summaries, where users can call up specific claim and loss data, download it and analyze it to user's specifications.

Actively participated in all aspects of Activity Report System (ARS) project's life-cycle applying the following techniques:

18. Rapid application development and deployment.
19. Database modeling and design.
20. Requirements planning.
21. Graphical user interface prototyping.
22. Object-oriented design and programming.

ARS is an Intranet time entry application developed for the purpose of reporting activity information for all employees utilizing the following tools and technologies: Internet Explorer 3.0, Visual Basic 5.0, ActiveX, VBScript, HTML, Internet Information Server 4.0, SQL Server 6.5, Active Server Pages, ActiveX Data Objects and Visual InterDev 1.0.

**Railinc, Co.** (Chicago, IL)

**09/12/1994 - 03/24/1995**

## **Programmer**

Performed requirement analysis, designed business models, translated requirements to system specifications, integrated and debugged applications.

**The University of Illinois at Chicago.** (Chicago, IL)

**04/11/1994 - 08/26/1994**

## **Computer Technician**

Provided consultation, advice and assistance to PC and network users in solving hardware and software related problems.

## **EDUCATION**

I.T. Quality Group, Inc.

**Basic Java Language Development Certificate**

The University of Illinois at Chicago.

**Bachelor of Science in Computer Science**

## **REFERENCES**

Available upon request.