

# JOSEPH CLARK

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Experienced senior software developer with a background in Rust, Java, JavaScript, Python, SQL, etc. My specialty in recent years has been enterprise-scale Java systems, both maintaining and fortifying legacy systems as well as (re)engineering new systems in modern frameworks and architectures (e.g. Spring Boot and Angular). In my academic career I taught and researched information systems, computer science, data analytics, and statistics.

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## Education:

**UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**, Los Angeles, CA

December 2012: Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D), USC Marshall School of Business, Information Systems

May 1999: Bachelor of Arts (BA), USC Annenberg School for Communication, Communication

**TULANE UNIVERSITY**, New Orleans, LA

May 2004: Master of Business Administration (MBA), Freeman School of Business

## Professional Experience in Software Development:

Senior Java Engineer

**ADSYNC TECHNOLOGIES / NAVAL SEA LOGISTICS CENTER PORTSMOUTH**, Kittery, ME

*May 2021 – Current*

- Adsync is a contractor providing high-end engineering talent to the U.S. Navy. I work at NavSeaLogCen on an engineering team that develops and maintains PDREP, an extremely high-traffic enterprise system supporting supplier performance information, providing significant cost avoidance and overall savings to DoD and the Navy.
- I work with analysts and DBAs to develop requirements, fix problems, and implement new features in a massive Java enterprise application written in the Struts 2 framework.
- Re-engineered core parts of the legacy system to add new functionality where security was of utmost importance, including a new way of authenticating to the Oracle database and a new single-sign-on feature for DOD users.
- Developed PDREP's first microservice application, a new module using Spring Boot and Angular that has served my teammates as a prototype to follow in a gradual rewrite of the whole system.
- Rewrote a legacy program from scratch, replacing 38,000 lines of code with 2500 lines of clean, well-documented, and testable code to ensure long-term sustainability of the application.

Senior Programmer Analyst

**STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**, Augusta, ME

*May 2019 – May 2021*

- With one other developer, I maintained and improved the MOSES system, a Java and Oracle application which processes all hunting and fishing licenses, ATV and snowmobile registrations for the State of Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, bringing in about \$30 million in revenue to the State annually.
- Re-engineered the MOSES build process to use Maven and Docker.
- Completely rewrote a module of MOSES in Spring Boot with a Thymeleaf template front-end.
- Helped the Office of IT experiment with GitHub Enterprise, producing a series of training screencasts to teach other developers how to use GitHub Actions for CI/CD.
- As a member of a rapid-development team, worked with other developers to quickly prototype a new application (FSMA) for the Dept. of Agriculture, Conservation, and Forestry using Vue.js.

Analytics Developer

**LIE-NIELSEN TOOLWORKS**, Warren, ME

*August 2016 – January 2021*

- As a freelance consultant over a little more than two years, I developed a wide array of data analysis and visualization tools for this famous Maine manufacturer of heirloom-quality woodworking tools.
- Developed dashboards in Python, using the Flask framework and HTML/CSS/JavaScript templates, in most cases making complex queries of the company's PostgreSQL-based ERP system (Fulfil.io) and presenting that data in interactive tables and data visualizations.

Senior Site Integrator, **WALT DISNEY INTERNET GROUP**, Burbank, CA, 2000 – 2001

Web Development Specialist, **MEDIAPOWER, INC**, Portland, ME, 1999 – 2000

Web Site Integrator, **NBC.COM**, Culver City, CA, 1997 – 1999

## Academic Appointments:

Adjunct Lecturer: Statistics and Computer Programming  
**COLLEGIUM SANCTORUM ANGELORUM**, Kansas City, MO  
*August 2024 – Current*

Lecturer in Management Information Systems  
**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE, MAINE BUSINESS SCHOOL**, Orono, ME  
*August 2016 – May 2019*

Clinical Assistant Professor, Information Systems  
**ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY, W.P. CAREY SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**, Tempe, AZ  
*August 2013 – May 2016*

Visiting Research Associate, **UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA OMAHA**, Omaha, NE, *August 2012 – July 2013*  
Ph.D. Candidate and Research Assistant, **UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**, Los Angeles, CA, *2007 – 2012*  
Lecturer, International College, **CHINA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY (中国农业大学)**, Beijing, China, *2006 – 2007*

## Other (Interesting?) Experience:

Firefighter  
**FARMINGTON FIRE RESCUE**, Farmington, ME  
*November 2020 – November 2024*

Volunteer Mentor  
**KNIGHTS OF KATAHDIN (FRC Robotics Team #9055)**, Wilton, ME  
*2023 – 2025*

English Teacher (all ages)  
Various **private schools in TAIWAN and SOUTH KOREA**  
*2001 – 2004*

## Technologies and Skills:

**Software development:** 25+ years  
**Rust:** 5 years  
**Java:** 6 years  
**JavaScript:** 25+ years  
Python: 13 years  
TypeScript: 7 years  
HTML: 25+ years  
CSS: 25+ years  
Other languages: Pascal, C++, Perl, PHP, Excel VBA, R

Databases: 25+ years  
PostgreSQL: 12 years  
Oracle: 6 years  
Oracle PL/SQL: 6 years  
**SQL:** 25+ years  
Others: Microsoft SQL Server, MySQL, sqlite, MongoDB, sled

Frameworks: Struts 1, Struts 2, Spring Boot, JUnit 5, D3.js, Highcharts, Thymeleaf, Flask, Jinja2  
Build tools: Cargo, Maven, Ant  
Other tools: **Docker**, GitHub, Bitbucket, Jira, Postman, SonarQube, Jenkins, Angular CLI, npm, Toad  
Analytics: Tableau, Excel, LibreOffice Calc, Spyder, pandas, numpy, matplotlib  
Buzzword concepts: **DevOps**, REST API, microservices, refactoring, unit testing, integration testing, Agile

Certification: **CompTIA Security+** (from 2019, due to renew in 2025)

## Books Authored:

- (2016) *A Data Engineer's Manual*. [E-book] Leanpub. <https://leanpub.com/data-engineers-manual>
- (in progress) *Relating to the Database: a no-nonsense introduction to relational databases with PostgreSQL*. [E-book] Leanpub. <https://leanpub.com/relating-to-the-database>

## Selected Open-source Code:

To examine any of these projects (and more), browse my GitHub profile: <https://github.com/joeclark-phd>.  
My public Rust crates can be found on crates.io here: <https://crates.io/users/joeclark-phd>.

- **multimarkov**: (<https://crates.io/crates/multimarkov>)  
A Rust crate providing multi-order Markov chain models for procedural generation applications.
- **markov\_namegen**: ([https://crates.io/crates/markov\\_namegen](https://crates.io/crates/markov_namegen))  
A Rust crate offering tools for generating random text using Markov models.
- **bufferbuffer**: (<https://crates.io/crates/bufferbuffer>)  
A Rust implementation of the Double Buffer design pattern.
- **simplechain**: (<https://github.com/joeclark-phd/simplechain>)  
An experiment in coding a “generic” blockchain in Rust that can store any kind of serializable data.
- **blockchain**: (<https://github.com/joeclark-phd/blockchain>)  
An experiment in coding a simple blockchain in Java.
- **merkletree**: (<https://github.com/joeclark-phd/merkletree>)  
A simple Merkle Tree for efficiently verifying that a large data set hasn't been tampered with, in Java.
- **markovmodels**: (<https://github.com/joeclark-phd/markovmodels>)  
A Java library providing multi-order Markov chain models for procedural generation applications.
- **random-text-generators**: (<https://github.com/joeclark-phd/random-text-generators>)  
A Java library for procedural generation of random text based on Markov models.