DAVE PECK

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Seattle, WA

Brown University,
Dual ScB in Math and
Computer Science, 1999

ABOUT ME

I'm a seasoned software engineer, startup founder, small team leader, and mentor seeking new adventures with terrific teammates.

RECENTLY

Co-authored *Python PEP 750: Template Strings* and wrote the official documentation. T-strings will ship with Python 3.14 in October 2025.

EXPERIENCE

Engineer, Front Seat LLC, Seattle WA — April 2023–May 2025

Sole engineer on this three-person interdisciplinary team. We rapidly prototyped civic tech in tandem with nonprofits and local government.

Lead Engineer, Pioneer Square Labs, Seattle WA — 2017-April 2023

Led the small but mighty team of 5 engineers at PSL, a startup studio and seed-stage VC, through creation of 12+ new startups with \$30M+ in funding.

Engineer, Two Screens For Teachers, Seattle WA — 2020 (side project)

Wrote the software to handle logistics for this COVID-era nonprofit that gifted ~15k monitors to homebound public school teachers across the nation.

Team Lead (post-acquisition), StackPath Inc., Dallas TX — 2016–2017

After StackPath acquired Cloak, led and grew the product team from 3 to 8 people, shipped highly requested features, and helped double ARR again.

Co-founder, Cloak LLC, Seattle WA — 2011–2016 — Acquired

Bootstrapped this startup that built VPN software and services for remotefirst companies; grew it to profitability and a successful acquisition.

Co-founder, Code Orange LLC, Seattle WA — 2008–2011

Started this successful consultancy focused at the intersection of mobile development and cloud computing. Clients included many Seattle startups.

Senior SDE (post-acquisition), Microsoft, Seattle WA — 2002–2008

After Microsoft acquired E-Quill, became an engineer on the XML Application Framework (XAF) team that built declarative developer tools for .NET.

Founding engineer, E-Quill, San Francisco CA — 1999-2002 — Acquired

First employee and engineer at this VC-backed startup. We shipped workflow tools that let users mark up, review, and approve changes to web pages.

TOOLS I'VE USED RECENTLY AND CAN BUILD CONFIDENTLY WITH

Full-stack Python (Django, Flask, SQL Alchemy, HTMX, Jupyter, Pandas) and TypeScript/Node (React, Tailwind, Astro, Kysely), Postgres (incl. pgvector), DuckDB, Docker, GCP (incl. Cloud Run), GitHub Copilot & Claude Code.