





Derrick Shaw

API Programmer

API programmer with 10 years of experience building RESTful and GraphQL APIs for fintech and SaaS platforms. Skilled in API design, versioning, rate limiting, and securing endpoints. Strong background in Node.js, Express, and OpenAPI documentation.

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Education

- Bachelor of Science (B.S.) in Information Technology
- Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA
- May 2013

Professional Experience

API DEVELOPMENT LEAD | VELOPAY, ATLANTA, GA
FEBRUARY 2017 – PRESENT

- Designed and implemented versioned API suite used by 120+ fintech partners, supporting 2 billion annual transactions
- Integrated OAuth2 authorization and token-based access controls, reducing unauthorized access attempts by 86%
- Created OpenAPI-based documentation portal that reduced support requests by 40% and increased developer adoption by 33%

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER – API SERVICES | METROCLOUD SYSTEMS, ATLANTA, GA
SEPTEMBER 2013 – JANUARY 2017

- Developed microservices architecture using Node.js and RabbitMQ for real-time payment systems
- Implemented rate-limiting middleware that reduced API abuse and ensured SLA compliance during peak traffic
- Deployed health check and monitoring endpoints that improved uptime visibility for engineering and DevOps

Certifications

- Postman API Expert Certification | Postman | value
- API Security Fundamentals | OWASP | value