

## Danny's Success Story Q & A

**1. Do you have a degree? Why did you come to West pursuing another career opportunity?**

Prior to coming to West LA College I did not have a degree, so the reason I came to West was to pursue an Associate of Arts degree in Computer Science and eventually transfer to a University.

**2. At West, which program or courses or training have you completed? How does that land you a decent job?**

The course I immediately wanted to enroll was in the CSIT courses for Web Support and Database Administration. After 3 years I was able to finish my GE courses and all of the required courses for the Associate degree in Web Support and Database Administration, along with three certificates that came with the completion of those same courses. I was able to get a clearer insight of how the web and databases worked together. I proceeded doing an internship for one year with the accumulated experience from the classes I took. Forward a year I started applying junior web development positions, it took me no longer than a month to get an interview and get hired as a web applications developer.

**3. Any advice to those who are pursuing Web career path?**

My advice to those following this same path is to take all the degree required courses at West LA College, not only is the material informative but the instructors was extremely helpful and knowledgeable with pointing you in the right direction. A lot of it also has to do with the effort you put in outside of class. Two-thirds of my free time was spent refining my knowledge in web languages like JavaScript and C# by creating small applications. Whether it was single functionality app or multiple, I just kept creating and hitting those walls that come with programming. No matter how demoralizing it may be when you're stuck at troubleshooting or debugging, know that if you give the time and effort then you can solve that issue.