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Jessica began her career at Red Hat's headquarters in Raleigh, NC, where she is based. She held several roles on the company's People Team serving in positions on the Talent Acquisition team and the Global Mobility team. These roles were formative in shaping her understanding of how tech talent training and economic development initiatives intersect.

Having found her niche in the tech world, Jessica joined The Iron Yard's team in 2014 as the founding campus director of the Durham, North Carolina campus. Building the Durham campus from the ground up. During her tenure as campus director, Jessica graduated more than 80 adult students from three cohorts and six immersive courses at The Iron Yard, and assisted these graduates in securing tech jobs.

Jessica's success in launching and growing The Iron Yard's Durham campus led her to lead our campus operations team as Director of Global Campus Operations. In that role, Jessica was instrumental in growing our footprint by overseeing the opening of eight locations.

She now serves as our Executive Director of the Code School. In this role she focuses on national partnerships, diversity and inclusion efforts, and manages a team of Campus Directors across the country.

