

Matías Sicher

Mid-level Backend PHP Developer · Laravel · CodeIgniter

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PROFILE

Mid-level backend developer with 4+ years building APIs and management systems with Laravel and CodeIgniter that real teams use every day: installment billing, online bookings, MercadoPago payments and WhatsApp chatbots. I focus on modeling the domain well, processing every payment exactly once and having tests that let me change code without fear. Available for freelance projects.

EXPERIENCE

SSr. Software Engineer · SW Ingeniería · Part-time 2023 — Present

Lead developer of the sales and installment billing systems of a graduation apparel company serving 6,500+ students.
PHP 8.2 · Laravel 11 · MySQL · Twilio · MercadoPago · Pest

Systems Lab Manager · DISILAB · UTN FRBA 2022 — Present

I run the lab and build its internal tools (bookings for professors and satisfaction dashboards) within its ISO 9001 quality system.
CodeIgniter 3 · PHP · MySQL · Docker · Google Sheets API

PHP Developer · Freelance projects 2024 — 2026

I customize and deploy point-of-sale systems for retailers: warranties, payments in US dollars and trade-ins, IMEI-based stock control and per-role seller permissions.
CodeIgniter 4 · PHP 8.1 · MySQL · jQuery

Instructor · UTN BA · Argentina Programa 4.0 2022

Instructor of the UTN BA Introductory Web Development course and tutor in the Argentina Programa 4.0 courses.

SELECTED PROJECTS

Canchero — Sports court booking · Personal project · Full-stack 2026

Platform for multi-venue sports complexes: customers book and pay the deposit online, and staff manage bookings, cash register, bar and reports from a dashboard.

- MercadoPago payments: signature-validated, idempotent webhooks with refunds.
- Contract-first API (OpenAPI, 88 endpoints) with generated types for the frontend.
- No double bookings, recurring slots and per-venue cancellation policies.
- 900+ automated tests, Docker and CI/CD with GitHub Actions.

Laravel 13 · PHP 8.4 · React 19 · TypeScript · MySQL · MercadoPago · Auth0 · Sentry · Demo: gol-demo-web.pages.dev

Installment billing with a WhatsApp chatbot · Backend · Lead developer 2024 — Present

Installment payment system for a graduation apparel company serving 6,500+ students. Students and families pay and send receipts over WhatsApp; the admin team reconciles and reports.

- Over two months in 2026: 1,300+ payments credited and 135,000+ WhatsApp messages handled by the chatbot.
- Installments and late fees generated by scheduled jobs, with payments applied oldest first.
- Automatic AI pre-validation of payment receipts (over 80% of installment receipts arrive pre-validated) and duplicate detection.
- WhatsApp chatbot with MercadoPago payment links and automatic reminders.
- REST API with roles, per-branch permissions and automated tests.

Laravel 11 · PHP 8.2 · MySQL · Sanctum · Twilio · MercadoPago · Pest

Sales management for the sales team · Full-stack · Lead developer

2023 — Present

System for the same company's sales team: schools, quotes, deposits and settlements, synced with the billing system.

- 16,500+ quotes generated; 2026 volume is already nearly triple that of 2024.
- 12,000+ schools in the pipeline and 2,000+ settlements filed since March 2026.
- MVC architecture in PHP with PDO.
- Server-side paginated grids and PDF quotes.
- Email notifications on every status change and per-branch roles.

PHP 8.2 · MySQL · PDO · jQuery · ag-Grid · PHPMailer

Lab booking — DISILAB · Backend · UTN FRBA

2022 — Present

System for UTN FRBA professors to book the lab, built on top of an open source project.

- Degrees, courses and professors, with a public view of bookings per professor.
- Academic terms, booking duplication and soft deletes.
- Team project, as the main contributor.

Codelgniter 3 · PHP · MySQL · Docker

EDUCATION

Information Systems Engineering · UTN FRBA

Expected graduation: 2028

Intermediate PHP and MySQL course · UTN BA, e-Learning Center

2022

SKILLS

Backend	PHP 8 · Laravel · Codelgniter · REST APIs · Sanctum · Pest / PHPUnit
Data	MySQL · MariaDB · Google Sheets API
Integrations	MercadoPago · WhatsApp (Twilio) · OpenAI · Auth0
Frontend	JavaScript · TypeScript · React · Blade
DevOps	Git · Docker · GitHub Actions · Sentry · Linux / VPS
Languages	Spanish (native) · English (intermediate)