

Anna Willis

UI / Frontend Developer | Career-Changer with Background in Behavioral Science and Instructional Design

Summary

Detail-oriented Frontend Developer with a solid foundation in HTML5, CSS3, and JavaScript (ES6+), and hands-on experience with React, and Tailwind CSS. Proficient at building responsive interactive UI components and translating designs into clean, accessible code. Former behavioral health counselor, and assistant project manager with 15+ years of experience in leadership, coaching, and cross-functional collaboration. Seeking an entry-level or junior frontend/UI development role.

Featured Projects

my timeUse - Full-featured Time Management App

React * TypeScript * Tailwind CSS * Supabase * Recharts

- Developed a complete time-tracking application with user authentication, guided data entry, dark/light theme toggle, and data visualization.
- Designed intuitive UI for logging tasks with category, time, energy level, and personal notes.
- Visualized time usage summaries by category using Recharts.
- Built custom global state management with `useReducer`, Context API, and custom hooks (`useAuth`, `useRecords`, `useTheme`).
- Integrated Supabase for auth, database, and secure real-time updates via RLS policies.
- Deployed with Vite and Netlify; responsive layout tested on multiple devices.
- Live Demo: <https://ania-w-my-time-use.netlify.app>
- GitHub: <https://github.com/AniaWillis/my-time-use>

Freelance Website for Startup Web Agency

Framer * Google Analytics * Mailchimp * Typeform





- Developed a responsive marketing website with a blog for a startup client.
- Designed and built reusable components and layouts using Framer.
- Integrated Google Analytics, Mailchimp, and Typeform.
- Collaborated with the client from discovery to delivery.

Dictionary App

JavaScript * HTML * CSS * REST API

- Built a responsive, single-page dictionary app that fetches real-time definitions, phonetics, and usage data from the Free Dictionary API.
- Used vanilla Javascript for DOM manipulation and dynamic rendering of content.
- Live Demo: <https://ania-w-dictionary.netlify.app>
- GitHub: <https://github.com/AniaWillis/dictionary>

Contact

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Skills & Technologies

Languages & Markup:

HTML5, Semantic HTML, CSS3, JavaScript (ES6+), TypeScript, JSX, Async JavaScript

Frameworks & Libraries:

React.js, React Router, React Hooks, Tailwind CSS

State Management:

`useState`, `useEffect`, `useMemo`, `useCallback`, `useReducer`, Context API, Custom Hooks

Tools & Dev Environment:

GitHub, VS Code, Framer, Netlify, Vite, npm, Chrome DevTools

Backend & Integration:

REST APIs, LocalStorage, Supabase

Design & UX:

Responsive Design, Dark/Light Theme Toggle, Component-Based Architecture, Form Validation, Toast Notifications

Soft Skills:

Communication, Collaboration, Empathy, Analytical Thinking, Problem Solving, Organization and Time Management Skills, Project Coordination, Teaching and Mentorship, Behavioral Design, Agile Mindset, Attention to Detail

React Calculator

React * Vite * JavaScript * Tailwind CSS

- Created a responsive calculator with real-time input display and keyboard-friendly interactions.
- Supports basic arithmetic operations (+, -, ×, ÷, %), parentheses, clear/reset, and expression evaluation.
- Live Demo: <https://ania-w-react-calculator-app.netlify.app>
- Github: <https://github.com/AniaWillis/calculator-app>

Personal Portfolio Site

React * Tailwind CSS * Vite * Formspark

- Developed a portfolio site to showcase development projects.
- Deployed via Netlify with contact form integration using Formspark.

Experience

Frontend Developer (Freelance)

Remote | Dec 2024 - Present

- Designed and developed JavaScript and React-based projects with a focus on UX and responsiveness.
- Collaborated with clients on technical requirements and visual design.

Assistant Project Manager

Construction Industry, Poland | 2019 - 2021

- Managed timelines, budgets, and materials for small construction projects.
- Coordinated subcontractors' schedules and tracked documentation.

Counselor / Trainer / Coach

Employed in Private Counseling Practice, Chicago, IL | 2003 - 2018

- Led therapeutic and educational groups, conducted seminars, trained staff, and developed client-centered treatment plans.
- Gained deep insight into human behavior, motivation, and engagement - now applied in UX and design work.

Education

The Complete JavaScript Course (2024) – Udemy

Advanced CSS and Sass (2022) – Udemy

Responsive Web Design (2022) – freeCodeCamp

Build Responsive Real-World Websites with HTML and CSS (2021) – Udemy

M.A. in Behavioral Science – Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago

M.A. in Human Resource Development – Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago

B.A. in Psychology – University of Illinois, Chicago