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Portfolio: **Portfolio**

Summary

Results-driven front-end developer with expertise in ReactJS, HTML5, CSS3, and UI/UX design, complemented by a solid foundation in Python. Proficient in Agile methodologies, consistently staying ahead of industry trends to deliver innovative, high-performance solutions. Known for leveraging creativity and analytical skills to solve complex challenges and drive impactful results in fast-paced, collaborative environments—ready to make a significant impact on your team.

Core Competencies and Skills

1. Front-End Skills

- ReactJS
- Redux
- HTML5
- CSS3
- JavaScript (ES6+)
- Webpack
- UI/UX Design
- Custom Websites
- Responsive Design
- SEO Optimization Techniques
- User Interface Design
- Design Principles

2. Back-End Skills

- Node.js
- Express
- Python
- PHP
- Django

- MongoDB
- PostgreSQL
- MySQL
- AWS
- RESTful APIs
- Database Design & Management

3. Tools & Technologies

- Git
- CI/CD (Jenkins, CircleCI)
- Unit Testing (Jest, Postman)

4. Soft Skills

- Time Management
- Problem-Solving
- Multitasking & Organization
- Critical Thinking
- E-Commerce Management
- Agile Development
- Team Collaboration

Experience

Freelance Web Developer, 04/2024 – Current

Self Employed Web – Brooklyn, NY

- Independently designed and developed custom web and mobile applications, utilizing React, Node.js, and MongoDB to create seamless and functional user experiences.
- Managed full project lifecycle, from ideation to deployment, ensuring high-quality, scalable solutions delivered on time.
- Optimized website performance, security, and SEO, enhancing user engagement and overall site functionality.

Shift Supervisor, 11/2020 – 09/2024

CKA Management – Middletown, USA

- Managed a team of 20+ employees, focusing on recruiting, hiring, and training, and implemented strategies that improved team performance and productivity by 15%, fulfilling key responsibilities in team leadership and accountability
- Gained experience in team collaboration and Employee Assistance Programs (EAP), implementing practices that foster a cohesive and high-performing work environment, supporting essential responsibilities in team dynamics and operational management
- Developed strong problem-solving skills by addressing operational challenges and implementing solutions to enhance compliance with company standards, meeting critical responsibilities in employee and operational management

Web Development Projects

E-commerce Store

Aug 2024 - Sep 2024

- Designed and developed a fully responsive e-commerce platform using React.js, ensuring seamless navigation across devices.
- Implemented dynamic product listings, add-to-cart functionality, and advanced search filtering to enhance user experience.
- Conducted integration testing to ensure content accuracy and mobile-friendly performance, boosting user engagement.

MoviesFlix-Hub
May 2024 - July 2024
- Developed a full-stack movie application using Node.js, Express.js, and React, integrating RESTful APIs for seamless browsing and viewing.
- Designed a responsive interface optimized for mobile devices, ensuring a smooth and consistent user experience across all platforms.
- Collaborated with mentors and peers to refine features, improve code quality, and ensure smooth project maintenance, resulting in a more stable and scalable application.

Sovereign Realty
Feb 2025 - Present
- Developed Sovereign Realty, a real estate app showcasing projects and property listings, enabling users to easily browse available homes and find their ideal match.
- Designed a user-friendly interface with search filters and property details, ensuring a smooth and intuitive home-buying experience.
- Integrated real-time data updates and location-based search features, improving user engagement and ensuring accurate property information.

DragonFlix
Feb 2025
- Rebuilt Movies Flix Hub with an improved, modern front-end design using React.js, enhancing overall user experience and site responsiveness.
- Integrated new features including dynamic movie search, personalized recommendations, and user authentication, elevating user engagement.
- Optimized site performance and UI design, ensuring faster load times and seamless navigation, making it more intuitive and accessible for users.

Chat Application
Dec 2024
- Built a real-time chat app using React and Firebase, incorporating user authentication, real-time messaging, and image sharing capabilities.
- Focused on mobile optimization, ensuring a seamless and responsive user experience across devices.
- Utilized Firebase for secure and accurate communication, maintaining data integrity and real-time performance throughout the app's lifecycle.

Education
09/2024 Career Foundry
Full Stack Developer Certification
- Gained hands-on experience in full-stack development, utilizing Python, JavaScript (React, Angular), and Node.js to build dynamic and scalable web applications.
- Leveraged AWS services for cloud deployment and optimization, ensuring secure, high-performance hosting and scalability for applications.
- Applied agile methodologies and version control (Git/GitHub) to manage project workflows, collaborating effectively and delivering high-quality results on time.

04/2022 American Public University – Charles Town, West Virginia
Bachelor's Health Sciences
- Data Analysis & Interpretation: Applied data-driven problem solving and analytical skills from health sciences to analyze user data, optimize app performance, and enhance user experience in development projects.
- Attention to Detail: Leveraged the precise attention to detail required in health sciences for coding, debugging, and testing applications to ensure high-quality and error-free code.
- Communication & Collaboration: Utilized strong collaborative skills and the ability to clearly convey complex information, gained in health sciences, to effectively work with cross-functional teams and stakeholders in development environments.