

# **James Brown**

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#### **TECHNICAL SKILLS**

Front-End Development: React.js: 2+ years (Intermediate), Next.js: 1+ years (Intermediate), JavaScript: 3+ years (Intermediate),

TypeScript: 1+ years (Intermediate), HTML & CSS: 3+ years (Intermediate)

**UI/UX Design & Prototyping:** Figma: 3+ years (Advanced), Webflow (CMS/CRM): 1 year (Beginner), Adobe Suite: 2 years (Intermediate)

API Integration & Development: REST APIs: 2+ years (Intermediate), GraphQL: 1 year (Beginner), Firebase API: 1 year

(Beginner), NextAuth.js API: 1 year (Beginner), Unsplash API: 1 year (Beginner), Postgres: 2 months **Cloud & Hosting:** Vercel: 1 year (Intermediate), Netlify: 2 year (Intermediate), AWS: >1 year (Beginner)

Version Control & Collaboration: Git & GitHub: 3+ years (Intermediate), Atlassian (Jira & Bitbucket): 1 year (Beginner)

CI/CD: GitHub Actions: 1 year (Beginner), Atlassian Pipelines: 1 year (Beginner)

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## The Good People Data Company | Johannesburg, SA | Internship | April 2025 - Present

• As an intern with junior developer skills, I focus on front-end redesigns using Django templates and innovative UI techniques for client and B2B services. I integrate service workers to enhance functionality and learn Python/Django/PostgreSQL backends with AWS S3 to support scalable solutions.

## Banking Acumen | Johannesburg, SA | Freelance Webmaster | Jan 2024 - Present

• As the sole developer and designer for bankingacumen.com, I fully lead the initiative to maintain and elevate its digital presence using Next.js and TypeScript, hosted on Netlify. I spearheaded mobile development, executed a complete redesign, managed new domains, and delivered a 60% performance boost through innovative UI solutions.

#### James Perse | Aspen, USA | Senior Client Advisor | March 2024 - November 2024

• I joined James Perse in March as Lead Backstock, using the role as a learning opportunity to apply user-centered design principles in retail. Through hard work and dedication, I earned multiple promotions over nine months, gaining valuable insights into customer interactions that will inform my work in tech.

## Scrums (formally SovTech) | Cape Town, SA | Internship | June 2023 & December 2023

• At SovTech (formally), I was tasked with optimizing existing systems using the React framework. I gained experience in running tests, improving code for reusability and readability, and implementing dynamic design principles. Additionally, I had the opportunity to explore AWS, including Lambda functions and cloud hosting.

#### **OUALIFICATIONS**

Cape Town Creative Academy | BA Interaction Design & Front-end Development | Graduated 2024

• **Coursework:** Interaction Design, Frontend Development, Business Studies, Contextual Studies, Design Thinking, Photography.

# St Andrews College | IEB Matriculation | Graduated 2020

• Coursework: Mathematics, English, isiXhosa, Business Studies, Art, Information Technology, Advanced Program English.

#### **PROJECTS**

#### Banking Acumen Website | Typescript, Next.js, Netlify | Jan 2024 - Present

• Developed a modernized website for bankingacumen.com using Next.js, hosted on Vercel, achieving a 60% improvement over the previous bankingacumen.biz. Implemented user authentication, enhanced UI, and streamlined content management for a superior user experience.

#### **CERTIFICATES**

• PADI | Advanced open water diver • St Johns Ambulance | First Aid - Level 1 • Free Code Camp | Responsive Web Design