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SOFTWARE DEVELOPER · IT

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I'm a software developer with a background in business management and a Bachelor of Commerce qualification. I have a passion for problem-solving and learning new technologies, and I'm enthusiastic about finding a role where I can integrate my technical and business expertise. With a solid foundation in communication and interpersonal skills, I thrive in collaborative team environments. Please feel free to explore my portfolio, linked above, for a deeper insight into my development projects.

Technical skills

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| Programming | JavaScript, TypeScript, React, Node.JS, Express, SQL, HTML, CSS, APIs |
| Testing Frameworks | Jest, Vitest, React Testing Library |
| Tools | Git, Visual Studio Code (VSCode), Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL), Agile/Scrum |

Qualifications, Education and Training

Dev Academy Aotearoa

NEW ZEALAND CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT (LEVEL 6)

2023

University of Canterbury

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE DEGREE, MAJORING IN MANAGEMENT WITH A MINOR IN MARKETING

2015 - 2018

- Awarded the University of Canterbury Emerging Leaders Development Programme Scholarship

Work Related Training Completed

FOODSTUFFS SOUTH ISLAND LEADERSHIP ACADEMY - PRINCIPLES OF LEADERSHIP

2021

Experience

Electoral Commision

ILAM HQ SUPPORT

Aug 2023 - Current

- Casual role assisting the Ilam electorate with logistics

Dev Academy Aotearoa (March 2023 - July 2023)

STUDENT FULLSTACK SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

March 2023 - July 2023

- Completed a 15-week full-immersion full stack development course closely simulating a real-world development experience. Equipped with a solid foundation to contribute effectively to modern development teams and deliver impactful solutions.
- Developed and build full stack applications using modern technologies including; JavaScript, TypeScript, HTML, CSS, React, Redux, Knex, SQL Databases, Node.js, and Express.js.
- Worked in teams using Agile/Scum methodologies including engaging in sprint planning, daily stand-ups, and retrospectives to ensure project goals are met on time and with precision.
- For our final group project my idea was selected, and I took on the role of Product Owner making critical decisions and prioritizing tasks for maximum value. Our team built a modern ecommerce website which can be viewed here. I implemented Stripe's API which allowed payment processing for products.

Rodd & Gunn

FIXED-TERM CASUAL STYLIST

Feb 2023 - March 2023

- Assisted in multiple stores but predominantly tasked to assist the closing down of the Merivale store

Pak 'N Save, Wainoni

ONLINE MANAGER

July 2022 - Oct 2022

- Selected to oversee and manage the project launch of the new Online Shopping Division
- Recruited staff, delivered training and the ongoing provision of coaching for team members
- Developed and implemented new systems, using SAP for managing stock and procurement

- Managed the entire store in the absence of the Store Manager
- Led and managed the daily operations of 20 plus staff
- Built and maintained excellent working relationships with merchandisers and representatives
- Completed various administrative duties, including production of a range of management reports

Skills and Competencies

Communication and Relationship Building Skills

- Strong communication skills including very good verbal, written and group presenting capabilities delivering clear and concise information
- Able to engage with people at all levels and from various backgrounds, developing and maintaining excellent ongoing working relationships with customers, colleagues, decision makers and stakeholders
- Experienced at delivering top class service whilst continuously aiming to exceed customers' expectations, always providing a positive experience
- Skilled at influencing others gaining their trust, respect and confidence

Teamwork Skills

- Actively promotes strong team unity creating a positive workplace environment for everyone
- Experienced at recruiting, training and mentoring other staff members, assisting them in their roles
- Superior interpersonal and leadership skills, together with the ability to be a future leader or manager
- Uses initiative, capable of working autonomously, self-managing, leading or working within a team

Problem Solving Skills

- Analytical approach with a critical thinking style, with very strong problem-solving skills often developing resourceful ideas
- Calm and collected making informed decisions even under pressure
- Excellent attention to detail, highly accurate with data, information and systems

Out of Work Interests

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| Music & Art | Playing guitar, piano, reading and writing |
| Sport | Playing golf and following sport, especially rugby |
| Exercise | Personal fitness and leading an active lifestyle |
| Social | Spending time with friends and family |

Referees

Referees are available on request