

Owen Cotter

Qualified UI Designer & Full-Stack Web Developer (junior)

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PROJECTS

Jungle Peaks Brewing — Final Capstone Project (E-commerce) Full-Stack Web Application

Designed and built a fully functional B2C e-commerce platform for a craft brewery.

- **Tech Stack:** Python (Django), HTML/CSS, JavaScript, AWS S3, Stripe Payment API, Heroku deployment.
- **Key Features:** Implemented secure user authentication, complex product filtering, a shopping bag context processor, a real-time checkout system and a taproom and touring booking system.

FinWiz Disruptor Bank — UI Portfolio 9 Screens - Mobile Banking Interface

Designed a high-fidelity mobile banking prototype focusing on building user trust and clarity.

- **Design Process:** Utilised Figma to create wireframes and a comprehensive design system including typography and colour palettes.
- **Key Features:** Designed an intuitive "Savings Pot" feature and accessible transaction history to simplify financial tracking for users

EXPERIENCE - Retail, Hospitality & Events

Marks & Spencer, Wales — Shop & Ops Assistant Sept 2023 - Sept 2025

- **User Empathy:** Resolved customer pain points in a high-volume environment, identifying friction to improve the overall customer experience (CX), particularly in self-checkout.
- **Operational Precision:** Managed strict inventory logistics and compliance as a store key Holder, applying honeywell systems to ensure smooth early morning deliveries with GIST.

Hilton, Perth — Events Assistant July 2023 - August 2023

- **Spatial Design:** Configured event spaces to optimise physical user flow and accessibility for corporate fundraisers & meetings from site plans.
- **Adaptability:** Delivered seamless execution as planned, adapting quickly to ensure stakeholder requirements were met in a fast-paced environment.

Cygnet Bay, North WA — Waiter, Barista & Bar Staff April 2023 – June 2023

- **Inclusive Communication:** Enhanced visitor experience for a diverse international user base by adapting communication to overcome language and accessibility barriers

SKILLS

Technical skills:

Agile methodology

CRUD workflow

Design Systems - Figma

Wireframing & Prototyping

HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React, Python (junior level)

Heroku & Vercel

Stripe API & AWS S3 bucket

AI tools: Chatgpt, Claude, Gemini

Soft skills:

Relationship building

Communication

Team player

Organising

Time management

Attention to detail

Positive culture

Education & Awards

Leeds Beckett University, MSc

International Events Management - Merit - Sept 2021 - July 2022

Dissertation in festival experiential marketing (event-brand transfer)

Leeds Beckett University, BA Events Management - 1st class

Sept 2017 - July 2021

Florida placement 2019/20 (COVID-19)

Hackathon - "SheGITsit" - 3rd Place Winner (March 2025)

Edinburgh Marathon 2025 - I am a keen runner; in training for Prague Marathon 2026.

Grade 8 guitar - I enjoy playing the guitar when I get the time

LANGUAGES

English Language (native)