Valerie Smith

Full Stack Software Developer

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Summary

- Skilled full stack software developer with 7 months experience, well versed in the MERN stack.
- Completed a self paced, mastery based bootcamp at V-School in record time showcasing dedication to skill acquisition as well as ability to quickly grasp new concepts and technologies.
- Comfortable working within Agile frameworks to ensure efficient project management.
- Leveraging a prior career as a physical therapist, I bring strong empathy and communication skills, adept problem solving abilities and meticulous documentation practices to my team.

Skills

React.JS, Node.JS, Express/JS, MongoDB, Bcrypt, JWT, ExpressJWT, JavaScript, CSS, Tailwind CSS, HTML, Vite, Axios, Visual Studio Code, NPM, Postman, Git, Github, MongoDB Compass, Figma, debugging, Render, Cyclic, React testing library, Vitest,

Projects

Yahtzee

- Full stack Yahtzee game using authentication to allow viewing of user's top ten scores as well as leaderboard of all users
- Use of context and highly reusable React components for ease of data flow and smooth game play
- Responsive and optimized design optimized for mobile gameplay, with light and dark themes

Memora Events

- Acted as Lead Developer for the design and deployment of a corporate event planner's website
- Front end React website using email integration for improved ease of communication for prospective clients
- Delivered site in half the quoted time to great client satisfaction

DJ Bentley's Website Redesign

- Participated in the redesign and relaunch of a Salt Lake City area DJ's website
- Collaborated closely with client to shape the design of his site, making modifications following client feedback
- Contributed to crafting front-end website using highly reusable React components, mixcloud API and email integration

Run Tracker

- Fullstack web based application with authorization/authentication
- Mobile first approach in design while maintaining responsiveness for all screen sizes
- Application iteratively enhanced following user feedback which resulted in a more user-centric application

Morning Routine

- Fullstack web based application with integrated database, which also makes calls to a public API
- Responsive and dynamic front-end design optimized for desktop view

Professional Experience

Freelance   Remote
   Software Developer   11/2023 - Present

- Develop, deploy and maintain front-end and full stack web applications
- Act as lead developer within a team, approaching each project with a high level view and helping my coworkers when they face blockers
- Collaborating with other developers as well as designers and project managers to deliver high quality, responsive websites and web based applications

- Use of Agile frameworks to ensure efficient project management
- Iteratively enhance applications following user and client feedback for a more user-centric experience

V-School   Remote
Teaching Assistant   11/2023 - Present

- Providing prompt responses to student inquiries, responding to students in under 2 minutes, and applying effective problem-solving skills to address challenges of various levels of complexity.
- Escalating unresolved inquiries to other teaching assistants and instructors, collaborating with the team to foster a group-based approach to problem resolution.
- Facilitating communication by forwarding students' requests for clarifications to the relevant instructors, streamlining the learning process and contributing to a more efficient and responsive educational environment.

Multiple Employers   Multiple Locations
Physical Therapist   01/2013 - 12/2019

- Managing time and clinic resources judiciously, leading to improved clinic operations and patient service.
- Collaborated seamlessly with an interdisciplinary team, resulting in enhanced patient satisfaction and outcomes.
- Maintaining accurate EHR's and facilitating seamless communication among healthcare professionals.
- Engaging in continuous education to stay updated with the latest advancements and best practices.

Education

V-School, Full Stack Software Development   08/2023 - 11/2023
- Completed this self paced mastery based bootcamp in 70 days, a record for the program

Universite Laval, Physical Therapy   09/2009 - 12/2013
- Bachelor's and Master's Degrees in Physical Therapy