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PROFILE

For the past 14 years I have worked as an educator in the leisure industry, but I'm now looking to progress my career into web development. I've been interested in programming for many years but it wasn't until Covid that I got into building websites, when my dad mentioned he needed a new website for his jazz band. This was my first introduction to web development and since then I have designed and built a number of websites and other projects as shown in my portfolio.

I am passionate, curious and always strive for excellence in everything that I do. I love learning new things and sharing my skills and work with people so they can benefit from them. Making something that others can enjoyably use is worth all the hard work it takes to make it.

I am loyal and hardworking, and devote myself wholeheartedly to the company I represent. I get on very well with work colleagues, and always regard the customer as my first priority. I am a highly motivated, articulate and people-focussed individual, who always seeks better ways of doing things for the good of the business and of the customer. I have a high level of written English and computer skills.

KEY SKILLS

- Able to communicate quickly and effectively with learners and colleagues in a training situation, both theoretically and practically
- Able to inspire confidence in others
- Very good planning, time management and organisational abilities
- Excellent customer service skills
- Highly developed written communication skills
- Methodical with a high attention to detail
- Able to work both as a trustworthy part of a team and independently
- Motivated to develop and learn as an individual

CURRENT WORK AND STUDY

Over the past year I've been honing my web development skills as well as learning a few new technologies along the way, including React, NextJS and the MERN stack. A lot of this has been self-study with the help of various Youtube tutorials, but I also enrolled onto the Scrimba Frontend Career Path. This path is designed to take someone from complete beginner all the way to being employable as a Frontend Developer.

Included in this there is the Scrimba Discord community, which has been amazing for my growth as a developer. Not only is it fantastic learning beside others, but doing so has allowed me to start tutoring others. During this tutorial has really helped me improve by forcing me to dive deeper into topics that I otherwise took for granted. Not only that but I've had to learn how to explain those topics to the less experienced students.

After doing this for awhile I applied for the Scrimba Teacher Talent program, which allows up and coming developers to help create coding tutorials for new students. I got accepted into the program and have done a couple of tutorials, which again has forced me to re-think how I approach my work.

My main focus for the upcoming months is diving deeper into the MERN stack to create full-stack applications. I've done some learning in this area but have yet to create a completed project using this tech stack.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE TO DATE

October 2017 – Present Swimming Instructor and Lifeguard Training Assessor Uckfield Leisure Centre

Teach weekly group lessons across a wide range of ages and abilities

- Assess new students and assign them to the appropriate class
- Carry out associated administration
- Develop schemes of work in coordination with the other swim teachers
- Organise and run monthly Lifeguard training and formal assessments

October 2016 – October 2017 Leisure Attendant/Swim teacher Lewes Leisure Centre

April 2014 – October 2016 Recreational Assistant/Swim teacher/Diving Coach Tunbridge Wells Sports Centre

Oct 2011 – April 2014 Freelance Scuba Diving Instructor Brighton Diving Centre

April – Oct 2012 Diving Instructor and Assistant Manager Divezone Diving Centre, Indonesia

April – Oct 2011 Diving Instructor and Technician European Diving Centre, Fethiye, Turkey

March – Oct 2010 Diving Instructor and Sales Assistant Sailing Club Divers (PADI 5*resort), Vietnam

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

April to Oct 2009 PADI Divemaster, PADI Open Water Dive Instructor (IDC)

December 2009 ASSET scuba diving equipment and Nitrox Technician and Cylinder tester

May 2010 Scuba Schools International (SSI) Instructor

October 2011 Powerboat Licence Level 2
June 2012 PADI Master Scuba Diver Trainer
January 2014 RLSS Pool Lifeguard (NPLQ)
February 2014 ASA Swim Teacher level 1
March 2014 ASA Swim Teacher level 2
October 2014 ASA Dive Coach level 1
November 2015 ASA Dive Coach level 2

January 2019 RLSS Pool Lifeguard Training Assessor
June 2019 Level 3 Award in Education and Training

EDUCATION

2007-2008 AS levels in Biology (C), Music (C), Computing (D) Sussex Downs College, Lewes, E Sussex

Pre-Professional Music Diploma

2003-2007 GCSEs in Maths (A), History (A), ICT short course (A), Worth School, Turners Hill, W Sussex

Biology (B), Music (B), English Lit (B), English Lang (B),

Chemistry (B), French (B), Religious Studies (C)