Willem Smith

Final Year IT Student | Web & Software Development Enthusiast | NWU South Africa

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SUMMARY

I am a final-year BSc Information Technology student with a strong passion for full-stack web development and a commitment to transforming ideas into intuitive, user-centric digital solutions. Over the past year, I have been actively sharpening my technical expertise in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React, and Node.js by building real-world projects, documenting my work on GitHub, and contributing to collaborative team environments.

Beyond the classroom, I've gained valuable hands-on experience through various part-time and vacation roles, where I developed a keen attention to detail, a strong sense of accountability, and the flexibility to adapt quickly in dynamic settings. These experiences have shaped my approach to problem-solving and teamwork—skills I carry into every development project.

I am currently focused on completing a fully responsive portfolio website that showcases my capabilities and ongoing growth as a developer. My goal is to transition smoothly into a junior developer role where I can continue to learn, innovate, and make meaningful contributions through technology.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science - BS, Information Technology
North-West University / Noordwes-Universiteit
📅 01/2022 - 12/2025

High School
Leeuwenhof Akademie
📅 01/2017 - 12/2021

EXPERIENCE

Part-time Teller
Ackermans Pharmacy
📅 01/2023 - 02/2023 📍 Primrose, South Africa
Company Description
- Demonstrated reliability and flexibility by working both full-day and night shifts, often stepping in when extra coverage was needed.

Pharmacy Assistant – Storeroom & Main Floor
Ackermans Pharmacy
📅 11/2022 - 12/2022 📍 Primrose, South Africa
Company Description
- Assisted with the relocation and organization of stock to a new business location, ensuring minimal disruption to daily operations.
- Supported inventory intake and stock management by efficiently receiving and sorting incoming shipments.

Data Entry Clerk
Premium Ideas
📅 12/2022 - 01/2023 📍 Midrand, South Africa
Company Description
- Collaborated with a small team to transition from an outdated system to a new operational workflow, completing the changeover significantly ahead of schedule.

TRAINING / COURSES

Front-End Developer Professional Certificate
Coursera – Meta (2025)

LANGUAGES

Afrikaans
Native
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English
Proficient
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SKILLS

C# C++ JavaScript SQL Microsoft Office GitHub HTML Object-oriented programming

React.js Node.js

STRENGTHS

Adaptability
Able to quickly adjust to new tools, environments, and challenges—whether in a development project or a work setting.

Problem-Solving Mindset
Naturally curious and resourceful when tackling coding challenges or finding efficient solutions in unfamiliar situations.

Attention to Detail
Consistently delivers clean, reliable work by focusing on accuracy in both code and process.

Self-Motivation & Initiative
Proactively learns new technologies, builds projects independently, and seeks out opportunities to grow both technically and professionally.

Team Collaboration
Works well in team-based environments, supporting shared goals through open communication and cooperative problem-solving.