

MyJobGlasses interview with Gregoire

Initial contact with Gregoire, request for an interview

Hi Grégoire,

I'm Antonin, I just finished my 2 years of "prépa" and I'm now in first year at l'ENSEEIH (Engineering School specialized in computer sciences).

I am currently wondering about the job opportunities offered after this school.

Web development interests me a lot. I started in middle School with OpenClassroom's HTML5 / CSS3 courses and then switched to other web languages: JS, PHP, MySQL.

Not knowing at all the engineering profession, I would like to get in touch with you to talk about your projects as well as your background.

Hoping to be able to chat with you soon,

Best regards

Antonin Litschgy

Interview report

Appointment date: 28/12/2021

First Name: Gregoire

Current Company: [Alkemics](#)

Sector: Web Development

Number of employees : 135

Details : Alkemics, which is a start-up founded in France in 2011, is a Supplier Experience Management platform used by the largest European retailers to discover, list, and launch products from more than 20,000 brands. Brands in turn use Alkemics to increase their visibility among retailers and to offer greater transparency to their consumers, as they can share their product catalog across all types of channels. The platform has evolved beyond the food sector and is open to specialized retail such as the DIY, beauty, health, toys, and furniture industries.

Education: Generalist License and Master in Web development Cergy.

Career:

- Engima (SS2I = a corporation that makes a link between the developer and a client for a more or less long mission). He has to create the web interface for a mobile phone company. He has to update the old code made by developer, years before.
- Alkemics

Job: Backend development

Question:

- Is your current job what you expected to do when you were a student and do you like what you are doing now?

He always liked computer sciences and always wanted to work in this branch. He really like development and even code on his personal time. But he also likes to diversify what he does. If he always does the same thing, even if it's development, he will end up getting bored. What matters to him is the project. What is important to him is the project he is working on, not especially the code itself. In his corporation, he really likes what he's doing now because he like the project.

- Why did you choose Alkemics?

His old company was a multinational brand and it was difficult to climb the ladder. The business mentality of the company did not suit him. With all that he just wanted to leave. So he joined Alkemics which is a human size corporation, in which he found good atmosphere and kindness. The advantage in IT is that it is the companies that come to offer jobs, there is no need to search. He had 10 job interviews in 1 day when he posted his CV. So, he chose Alkemics because he felt the good atmosphere of the corporation.

- Do you have to work in team?

In the IT sector it is not possible to work alone for different reasons. First of all, it is the team that carry you has a Junior. You will be helped by the senior developers with experience. You can also help them by bringing fresh technologies that you learned at school.

- Is it easy to change?

It's really easy to change. His advice is to start with 2 or 3 years in a SS2I. There are rarely pay raises and the best way to get a raise is to quit for a better salary. Unless you are a very good element for the corporation. It logical to change at least 1 time in the first years.

- What is a classic day for a developer?

Code + Test and repeat that. Someday are reserved for debugging. The biggest part is actually conception at the beginning?

- Can you choose what you code?

Yes, there are tickets made by the commercial team and you can choose which functionality you want to code.