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Profile

Fast-learning web developer with a background in marketing, a First Class Honours degree from Durham University, and a knack for all things digital. Having completed a comprehensive web development course whilst creating a professional eCommerce site for a client, I am now looking to grow and expand my skill set!

Skills

Web Languages

- Diligent user of HTML5 with a keen eye for compliant, semantic, and organised code
- Experienced in converting my own designs to CSS3 from PSD, and adapting existing styles to create functional, appealing, and responsive websites
- Creative user of JavaScript & iQuery to create interesting, dynamic web elements to improve a site's feel and functionality
- Beginner-level knowledge of the uses and value of PHP as a back-end language
- Understanding and experience in use of **Git** version control software as a collaboration tool and back-up system

Frameworks & CMS

- Employed Twitter **Bootstrap** to design and develop a personal portfolio site. acknowledging the importance of responsive design for SEO, usability, and conversion
- Created an eCommerce site using WooCommerce for WordPress, informed by my broad understanding and direct experience of a client's needs that goes beyond the specification
- Experience installing, setting up, and running essential WordPress plug-ins such as WPMultiLingual, WP All Import, and Yoast SEO
- Familiar with Magento CMS, and advanced use of Amazon Seller Central

Other digital

- Proficient use of MS Excel and Word, including a good standard of VBA for Excel, used to create dynamic and powerful spreadsheets to streamline work processes
- Understanding of databases and self-taught SQL, with experience in their construction
- Highly proficient in use of social media for business, including Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Tumblr, Google+, YouTube, and social media management systems Hootsuite and Buffer. Well accustomed to use of WordPress for blogs
- Experience and trained in use of Google analytics, and familiar with Google AdWords. Experienced in use of Radian6 social media analytics
- Practical user of Adobe **PhotoShop** for wireframe design, creation of visual mock-ups, and essential modifications to graphics
- Self-confessed geek I love teaching myself new software and programming languages (like GameMaker Language) and am always keen to pick up new digital skills!

English (native), Spanish (fluent), Italian (fluent), French (good) Languages

Education

University of Durham

Oct 2009 - Jun 2013

- First Class BA(Hons) Modern Languages and Cultures (Spanish & Italian)
- Particularly impressive results (80%+) in well-researched and professionally written critical analysis essays
- Strong analytical skills developed on linguistic, cultural, and intercultural levels through study of literature, linguistics, history, art, and cinema
- Recommended for Post-graduate study in Visual Arts, Film, or Literature

Udemy Online

Complete Web Developer Course by Rob Percival

Jun - Aug 2015

Available at www.udemy.com/complete-web-developer-course

 Self-taught a broad range of essential web development skills using this comprehensive video course as a guide - including HTML5, CSS3, Bootstrap, JavaScript, jQuery, WordPress, PHP, and more

Sleaford Joint Sixth Form

'A' Level, 'AS' Level

Sep 2007 - Jul 2009

'A' grade achieved in Maths, Spanish, French, and English Language at 'AS' and 'A'
 Level, 'A' grade in Critical Thinking at 'AS' Level (prior to introduction of A* grades)

Employment

UOW Limited

Web Developer

(Online casual clothing retailer)
May - Aug 2015

www.universityofwhatever.co.uk

- Sole web developer in charge of new website project based on the Neighbourhood theme for the WordPress WooCommerce plug-in
- Planned the development schedule and organised my own research to a deadline, and collated all necessary resources from the brand's Director, Graphic Designer, and web hosts to allow me to work efficiently
- As my first web build, I developed the site simultaneously with my own learning curve so the two processes mutually benefited each other
- Expanded on WordPress base functionality to add new back-end features for the client, including an import plug-in to manage stock, maintain product listings across multiple platforms, and import existing data into the site
- Created interactive, easy-to-use Excel worksheets with custom-coded functions for use by client to resolve a stock and listings management conflict with the existing Amazonbased store that would cost the business in man-hours and inaccuracies
- Used custom CSS to enhance the default styles of content pages to expand and enhance the brand's style and provided specification
- Working independently, resolved myriad issues facing the build through research, experimentation, and careful analysis - including issues with the theme and shortcomings with plug-ins

BANG+STRIKE

Marketing and Social Media Assistant

(Online retailer of men's underwear)

Aug 2014 - Feb 2015

- Responsible for the site's numerous social channels, including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, Tumblr, and Google+, and co-ordinating with the Marketing Manager and Creative Director to deliver the marketing strategy evenly
- Monitored Google Analytics on a weekly basis for feedback on blog popularity, inbound links, and social media coverage. Also attended Google Analytics training
- Enacted A/B testing on Facebook posts to find the most successful content formula
- Principal blog-writer, responsible for creation of interesting, creative, and SEO-friendly content on WordPress

Freelance work

Copywriter, Blogger, and Social Media Consultant

Sep 2014 - May 2015

- Took on a large project for Patchworks.co.uk (digital agency) writing enticing and descriptive landing pages for prospective clients, creating hundreds of iterations of a similar product page for optimal SEO
- Optimised Amazon listings for University of Whatever (loungewear retailer) and Oneskee (all-in-one ski suit retailer) for traffic, exposure, and conversion with convincing copy and measured experimentation
- Compiled and wrote justified and cogent finance applications, including business proposals, for University of Whatever, helping to secure funding for a new print studio
- Began a blog series for University of Whatever and simple social media strategy to create an online presence for the budding brand
- Edited and rewrote customer communication for **Hampton Dean** chartered financial advisors according to their specification, making a complex subject intelligible for clients

Media Measurement (Social media analytics)

May - Jul 2014

Research Analyst Intern

- Quickly learnt to use Salesforce's Radian6 social media monitoring software, assisting on two team projects to produce reports for client Reckitt Benckiser within my first week
- Acted independently to compile a list of recommendations for the improvement of the Radian6 software, optimising workflow processes within the company to save time and avoid inaccuracies
- Identified social media personas and how they interacted with the brand to advise the client on how to effectively engage different demographics
- Analysed and critiqued effectiveness of social media campaigns for FMCG brands, gaining insight on customer/market usage of social platforms, and discovering opportunities for brand engagement for clients
- · Planned and produced individual written snapshot reports for clients such as Unilever
- Employed language and cultural skills in order to analyse data from global markets in Spanish, Italian, and French

UOW Limited

(Online clothing startup)

Aug 2013 - May 2014

Amazon Marketing Specialist

- Personally doubled the brand's Amazon traffic through significant breakthroughs in understanding the algorithm
- Regularly analysed sales, page views and conversion rates through weekly reports and the creation of a database, allowing the company to highlight problematic and successful listings
- Managed Amazon listings adding new products, pruning old ones, and optimising existing products through CSV imports to ensure continuity and performance across the European and American platforms
- Responsible for all copywriting the website, product descriptions, brand message and communications with translators and web developers

Year Abroad 7 months in Spain, 4 months in Italy 2011-2012

Enforex (Spain)

Jul - Aug 2011

English camp language teacher

 Communication and teamwork skills challenged by co-ordinating large groups of teenagers with other tutors unsupervised by seniors.

University of Granada (Spain)

Sep 2011 - Feb 2012

Erasmus programme

 Significant time spent living abroad - studying in a different language and culture and socialising with other students from across the world

IIS Rolando da Piazzola (Italy) Apr - Jun 2012

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Europass (Italy) Aug - Sep 2012

English language assistant (Secondary school in Italy)

• Clear communication and creativity essential for engaging teenagers in language activities, both planned personally and by others.

Intensive advanced Italian language course

Cultural awareness and linguistic skills expanded whilst living and studying in Florence

For an example of my work and a portal to my various projects, have a look at my portfolio site www.adamlee.xyz - which includes a stage-by-stage description of the process I undertook to build it.