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Front End Developer

React | Redux | TypeScript | JavaScript | Jest

React Testing Library | Tailwind CSS | Storybook

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EXPERIENCE

Front End Developer – Like Minded Labs, Montreal, Canada

August 2023 – November 2024

- Took ownership of large features and became the main contributor and maintainer of our reusable components library; trained other colleagues in how to implement new components.
- Lowered implementation and debugging time by doing several large refactors and cleanups: deleted 200+ dead files, removed tens of duplicated functions and components, replaced 100+ custom components with reusable ones.
- Mentored two new junior front-end developers through peer programming, debugging sessions, code reviews and help with navigating codebases and team processes.
- Drove active team engagement in refactoring, cleaning and improving the performance of our codebases through code reviews, mentoring and team knowledge sharing sessions.
- Reduced communication time between Product and Development by introducing User Flow Diagrams as a bridge between UI design and feature architecture.

Front End Developer (contractor) – AON3D, Montreal, Canada

May 2023 – August 2023

- Rebuilt and redesigned responsive UI interfaces for internal web applications.
- Fixed bugs and tested newly added functionality.
- Developed new features and refactored existing ones.

Front End Developer – HabitHop (habit tracker), Montreal, Canada

September 2022 – April 2023

Personal project (part time)

- Started building a full stack web app during my relocation to Montreal.
- Defined and developed the UI, tested components, features and bug fixes.
- Improved testing skills with online courses and by testing my code base.
- Set up Docker for a Node.js server connected to a PostgreSQL database.
- Developed a RESTful API and defined the necessary database models.

Career Break – Amsterdam, Netherlands

March 2022 – August 2022

- Took a personal sabbatical to plan and organize my family's relocation to Montreal.

TECHNICAL SKILLS / TOOLS

- JavaScript, TypeScript
- React, Redux, Next.js
- Storybook
- Jest, React Testing Library
- HTML5, CSS3
- Tailwind, styled-components
- RESTful APIs, Postman
- Python (beginner)
- Docker
- AzureDevOps
- GitHub, GitLab, Bitbucket
- Sketch, Figma
- Git, Unix terminal
- Ubuntu OS, Mac OS
- Trello, Jira, Slack, Keybase

PERSONAL SKILLS

- Organized and structured
- Analytical, process driven
- Detail and solution oriented
- Agile and Scrum knowledge
- Good teamwork and communication skills:
worked with international cross-functional teams
- Managed and supervised multidisciplinary teams

LANGUAGES

- English (CAE - C2 level)
- Romanian (native speaker)

Junior Front End Developer – Overstappen.nl, Amsterdam, Netherlands

February 2020 – February 2022

- Developed components, features, tests and bug fixes in our React comparator apps.
- Proactively took on coordination, team process development and scrum responsibilities to help improve our team's delivery time and effectiveness.
- Raised awareness of projects slowing down delivery time and worked on solutions with the team and management.
- Took the initiative to write documentation for running our WordPress websites locally that saved up to 10 hours per newly on-boarded developer.
- Supported colleagues working on our WordPress websites with building new blocks and sprint work coordination.

Junior Full Stack Developer – klikkie, Amsterdam, Netherlands

April 2019 – November 2019

- Successfully moved from Frontend Intern to Junior Full Stack Developer.
- Rebuilt 50% of the user profile app (React) while learning several new technologies.
- Developed new features and functionality for the upload-app, admin, own API.
- Extended features, tested and fixed bugs in five different codebases.
- Reduced mobile app crashes by researching and implementing Detox as a testing framework.
- Improved and expanded our documentation, team workflow, sprint planning.

Full Stack Developer Trainee – Codaisseur, Amsterdam, Netherlands

October 2018 – March 2019

- Intensive ten weeks, 500+ hours, full-time coding bootcamp structured as an Agile work environment using "Learn by Doing" methodology.
- Worked on further developing my skills and portfolio during the four months' Job Search stage of the bootcamp.

Career Change – Amsterdam, Netherlands

2017 – 2018

- Started a career change to web development by taking online courses.
- Prepared my application to Codaisseur Web Development Bootcamp.

Project Coordinator – Supp Office, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

2015 - 2017

- Oversaw and delivered 20+ custom projects on time and within budget.
- Extended Supp Office's services by designing and delivering training programs.
- Improved team processes and results by training and mentoring colleagues.
- Improved job activity by developing procedures, forms, checklists and other relevant documentation

HOBBIES

- Creating origami gardens
- Growing house plants
- Reading, coloring, crocheting

Kindergarten Manager – Tandarica Private Kindergartens, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

2009 - 2015

- Successfully moved from English Teacher to Kindergarten Manager position.
- Increased enrollment by 25% by reorganizing the enrollment process and redesigning brochures.
- Effectively managed a team of 30 employees in three private kindergartens.
- Received Outstanding Performance reviews for team development and increased efficiency.

Project Coordinator (contractor) – Azimut Teambuilding, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

2012 - 2013

- Effectively coordinated the preparation and communication of more than 60 custom training programs.
- Reduced 30% of delivery time for each training program by developing procedures, forms, checklists.
- Designed a new organizing system for training materials.

EDUCATION

Online Web Development Courses, 2023

Introduction to Python (Coursera, Google's Python Class, Codecademy)

Codaisseur Academy For Full-Stack Web Development, 2018 - 2019

Codaisseur (Coding Bootcamp), Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Online Web Development Courses, 2017 - 2018

700+ hours on Udemy, Codecademy, freeCodeCamp, Khan Academy

Master Of Human Resources And Organizational Health, 2009 - 2011

Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences, UBB, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

Bachelor's Degree In Psychology, 2004 - 2008

Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences, UBB, Cluj-Napoca, Romania