

BLAKE JOHNSTON

SOFTWARE ENGINEER



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SKILLS

- Javascript - NodeJS, React
- Python - Flask
- SQL - MS SQL Server, PostgreSQL
- NoSQL - MongoDB
- HTML/CSS
- REST APIs
- Git
- CI/CD
- JIRA, Azure DevOps, Asana, Trello
- Agile methodologies
- Agile ceremony facilitation
- User story breakdown
- Backlog management
- Stakeholder management
- Release management

EDUCATION

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING IMMERSIVE BOOTCAMP

General Assembly

Jun 2022 - Aug 2022

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

Deakin University

Nov 2019 - Jul 2022

PROFILE

Software delivery professional with 7+ experience working with teams to build software solutions. I am passionate about solving problems through well designed software that offers users an enjoyable and seamless experience.

EXPERIENCE

PRODUCT OWNER

FrankieOne

Mar 2022 - May 2022

- Introduced the team to story sizing estimation methods.
- Improved sprint planning effectiveness and project delivery date estimations with stakeholders.
- Formalised release notes process which led to more awareness of feature changes for both internal and external stakeholders.

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT LEAD

Praemium

Feb 2021 - Mar 2022

- Formed and led a new development team responsible for all application support issues to alleviate BAU support from feature development teams
- Retained 100% of graduate developers hired in 2021 (7 of 7), as a result of the training and exposure to the full product suite, designed and delivered under my leadership.
- Developed a PowerBI dashboard to analyse ticket data raised to Praemium application support team > assisted in development prioritisation and highlighted training gaps to operational teams.

BUSINESS ANALYST

MYOB

Sep 2019 - Feb 2021

- Led a project to overhaul the EOFY payroll process preventing the requirement for a manual updated AccountRight (desktop) software.

Praemium

Jun 2018 - Sep 2019

- Developed a greenfields Adviser Portal application, designed to remove financial advisers from the core legacy Praemium platform.
- Worked on a large client onboarding (JBWere) - the contract involved significant platform enhancements and continuous communication with JBWere project stakeholders.

TEST ANALYST

Praemium

Jun 2016 - Jun 2018

- Formulate and execute test plans.
- Manage fortnightly and ad-hoc hotfix deployments.