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EDUCATION

Web Development Boot Camp | 2016 Bitmaker Labs, Toronto, ON

BA - Child and Youth Care | 2013 Ryerson University, Toronto, ON

Child and Youth Worker | 2011 Centennial College, Toronto, ON

PERSONAL SKILLS

- LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE
- CLEAR COMMUNICATION
- QUICK PROBLEM SOLVING
- TIME MANAGEMENT

PROFILE

I pride myself on supporting those I work with and ensuring everyone is reaching their full potential while still having fun. I help to facilitate a culture of positivity and tenacity. By giving my teams the opportunity to take risks, learn from their mistakes, and celebrate their successes, it brings us together and makes us a closer group. I try to bring these qualities into every aspect of my life, and embrace life's challenges with resiliency and optimism.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

QUALITY ASSURANCE SPECIALIST Sears Canada, Toronto, ON

Dec 2016 - Oct 2017

Assisted in the restructuring of Sears Canada's e-commerce platform during their rebranding campaign.

- Aided in the updating of the site's database from a hierarchical structure to an object-oriented format.
- Ensured new content successfully merged to the new database, locating and manually correcting errors during transfers.
- Coordinated my team daily to prioritize and delegate the onboarding of specialty and sale items.
- Worked on increasing positive user experience. Lead project that raised product filter accuracy from 18% to 92% over 2 months.

FREELANCE WEB DESIGNER Toronto, ON

April 2017 - Present

Worked on various freelance projects to create, design, and implement new front and back-end applications based on client needs.

- Created new front-end designs to help improve the user experience.
- Implemented new back-end applications to provide additional customer support.
- Planned and facilitated in-person and phone meetings with clients to discuss current and future goals.
- Adapted to client's needs and goals quickly and efficiently.

SUPPORT WORKER III – Case Coordinator 2012 – 2016 Community Living Toronto, Toronto, ON

Case coordinator for individuals with an intellectual disability who were transitioning into semi-independent living.

- Organized staff training and provided annual staff reviews.
- Facilitated quarterly review meetings with the team and client.
- In constant communication with clients, with daily site visits to the individual's home.
- Liaised with local community supports on behalf of clients to access services.

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DEVELOPER SKILLS

- RUBY
- HTML
- RUBY ON RAILS CSS
- JAVASCRIPT
- SASS
- POSTGRES
- UX/UI
- ANGULARIS
- OBJECT ORIENTED (OOP)
- RESPONSIVE DESIGN
- QUALITY ASSURANCE

PORTFOLIO

Darsbars Soaps and Scrubs - E-commerce Platform

https://www.darsbars.com/

Designed and developed a new front-end layout for their ecommerce platform. Added in new features to help improve the user experience and increase sales.

- Designed new layout that aligned with the company's image.
- Added in new contact form to allow for easier client acquisition & customer feedback.
- Created a "featured products" section to allow the business to promote specific items based on customer interest/seasonal products.

Jaar - Social Media Project

https://murmuring-everglades-66909.herokuapp.com/

Jaar is a memory jar in digital form! This is a final project of my time at Bitmaker, and was created by myself and two classmates.

- Built in Ruby on Rails (back-end) and JavaScript/CSS (frontend).
- Created an asynchronous site that allows users to continue using site while downloads/requests are processing.
- Used a PostgreSQL relational database.
- Added accessibility feature that allows users to open and close jar's using their voice (i.e. "Open ... jar" or "close")
- Utilized multiple open-source tools to allow file uploading and rendering of various multimedia.
- Created dynamic URL's for users to share their jars with their networks.

REFERENCES

Available upon request.