Chris Slater. Professional profile.

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In a nutshell: I am a dedicated and passionate web developer bringing an intuitive, game changing flair to the web. I am looking for a role where I can have more involvement in javascript focused applications whilst continuing to apply my existing developer skills.

I love building for the web; whether it is taking a product from concept to delivery, tweaking a piece of design to be more intuitive or improving performance. I am always looking for ways I can help bring a more impactful experience to the user and reward my employer with better results.

Work Experience

Senior Web Developer

Rated People LTD, Full-Time, November 2013 - Present

My time at Rated People has given me a great baseline to better understand how product needs, lifecycle and delivery compares to creating campaigns in my previous role.

When I wasn't actively working on a project, I have had the opportunity to prototype javascript frameworks such as Backbone, Ember.js and Node.js. It has been exciting to learn how these frameworks could benefit our tradesman by providing them with a slick client side experience that they haven't been exposed to before.

Digital developer

IPC Media, London. Full-Time, August 2011 - November 2013

During my time at IPC, I demonstrated my commitment and the qualities required to consistently deliver high quality campaigns in the fast moving commercial market.

This deadline driven environment has inspired me to continually expand my understanding of web development and to find the best ways to take a product from concept to delivery. Throughout my time at IPC I have continually pushed to gain a better understanding of user's needs and expectations.

Furthermore, being a part of a forward thinking team has encouraged me to expand my knowledge and share what I have learned with those around me; I regularly attend technical talks and actively mentor junior team members.

Drupal Developer

Moore Wilson, Salisbury. Full-Time, March 2011 - August 2011

During my time here I helped contribute to two major projects and gained the confidence of my superiors; I was rewarded with my own project (http://www.cer.org.uk/) that I delivered successfully before I left for London.

Drupal Developer

Opportunity Links, Cambridge. December 2010 - March 2011

Opportunity Links was my first real graduate opportunity and my first experience of PHP, Drupal, version control and Agile project management process. I had just started to feel comfortable putting my newfound knowledge into practice, when sadly the company went into administration.

Webmaster

i2 Limited, Cambridge. July 2010 - November 2010

Assistant Network Manager

The Burgate School and Sixth Form Centre. November 2009 - September 2010

Technical Skills

• HTML & CSS - Expert, 5 years

Throughout my career I have constantly used HTML and CSS and I'm making the most of HTML5 and CSS3 in my current role. I believe in following a progressive enhancement approach.

- Javascript, ¡Query Advanced, 2.5 years
 - I regularly use Javascript and I am constantly working to advance my skills in this area. I have a good understanding of DOM manipulation and I frequently use the jQuery framework. Recently I have been putting time into learning Backbone and Node.js. I see Javascript as the future and I am itching to deliver javascript focused projects in a production environment.
- PHP Advanced, 4 years
 PHP is my most comfortable backend programming language. Most of my experience comes from using PHP frameworks such as Symfony, Zend and Drupal.
- GIT & SVN Advanced, 3 years
 I am a massive believer in version control and I have experience in both GIT and SVN for this. Of the two, I favour GIT and am a regular user of Github for sharing open sourced work.

Other skills

Composer, Grunt, Phing, AS3, Angular.js, Concrete5, Responsive Design, MySQL, MongoDB, Video Editing, RESTful Api's.

Education

- Internet Technology, BSc First Class Anglia Ruskin University
- Three A-Levels including; Business Studies, Computing, Government and Politics
- Seven GCSE including: ICT, Maths, English and Science

Professional values

- Stay until the job is done
- A deadline is not a suggestion
- Always search for a better way to work
- Constantly challenge myself professionally

Hobbies

When I'm not at work, I am out shooting with my camera, agonising over the football results and planning my next snowboarding holiday.