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Objective

To obtain a position where I can employ my skills to create useable, accessible, and attractive websites and web applications.

Education

Washtenaw Community College: 2010 -Present
Certificate Obtained: Certificate in Web Technology (CTWBTC) 2012

Experience

Web Designer

Feb 2010 - Present

Over the course of the past three years, I have developed multiple web-based design projects and have offered my services to clients as a UX and SEO consultant. I currently maintain several of my clients' sites and am developing my own projects as well. I am currently serving as the front-end web developer for the SPRING Creative Group (www.spring215.com) within the SPARK East Business Incubator in Ypsilanti, MI. This position allows me to combine my skills in web development with my interest in entrepreneurship.

Instructional Media Technician, Student Response Systems Support - Washtenaw Community College

Feb 2009 - Present

In early 2009, I was hired by Washtenaw Community College to assist with the implementation of new student response devices on campus. Being a pilot program, I was required to assess the software's capabilities, develop an implementation strategy, and instruct and assist faculty in the use of the software. In 2011, I helped develop a new distribution and implementation system for the

technology. I also created and maintain a website for students and faculty to receive instruction on using the system.

Design and development Intern - Q Ltd (www.qltd.com)
April 2013 - August 2013

In the summer of 2013, I took part in an internship program offered by Q Ltd, a strategic design consultancy in Ann Arbor, MI where I had the opportunity to work with directly with their team of designers and developers. I found this position to be both extremely challenging and rewarding due in part to their approach to adopting new technologies and techniques. The experience gave me greater insight into the development process and influenced my approach to working with clients.

Video Quality Control Technician - LMG Show Technology
July 2007 - November 2008

I was hired by LMG, one of the largest event technology providers in the country, to work as a Video Quality Control Technician at the largest of their three branches located in Las Vegas. My responsibilities were to examine and test high-end video production and presentation equipment such as projectors, monitors, switchers and playback devices as well as prep orders for LMG's show technicians. This position provided me with hands-on experience with top of the line professional gear and the opportunity to work with professionals in the top of their field.

Owner - PBL Visuals
June 2005 - February 2008

In 2005, I formed a company specializing in custom video projections and installations for clubs, musical acts, and other live events and served clients in the mid-west and Las Vegas areas. I consider this period as my most formative regarding visual design.

Video Production Professional
Freelance September 2001 - January 2008
During this time period I worked as a Video Production Professional in a variety of roles for a diverse set of clients.

Skills

User Experience Design
Competitive Website Analysis
Card Sorting
Website Diagramming
Website Redesign
User Testing
Task Analysis
Website Accessibility Analysis
Wire Framing

Web Design
HTML5
CSS3
JavaScript
PHP
Sass
Responsive Design and Mobile First Practices
Front-end Frameworks
Wordpress
Drupal

Software
Visio
Photoshop
Illustrator

Video Production
Final Cut Pro
Adobe After Effects
Camera Operation
Production Management