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Product Design and Development

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SUMMARY

I have 3+ years experience in building software solutions in the startup world, taking ideas to traction. I have mainly worked on edtech platforms, with experience with ecommerce products.

I am passionate about creating experiences that are seamless and user-centric, and designing products geared towards social impact.

I love story-telling mainly through writing, and enjoy film, music and visual art.

EXPERIENCE

Kinetic, Nairobi (Remote) – *Product Development Lead*

June 2022 - Sept 2022

- Working on planning weekly sprints, assigning tasks to an engineering team of 3, and collaborating with the sales and customer success team to gain customer insights and feedback.
- Developed entrepreneurship content and scripts for the platform
- Recorded entrepreneurship content for the platform in video format
- Assisted the sales team in product demos and customer success

Kinetic (Systematic Entrepreneurship), Nairobi (Remote) – *Full Stack Developer*

August 2020 - Sept 2022

Systematic Entrepreneurship(now Kinetic) is a digital learning platform for novice entrepreneurs.

- Doing market research, product & system design, MVP development, feature releases etc. to deliver a platform for entrepreneurs
- Worked in close collaboration with the design team to come up with wireframes and user stories using Figma/Figjam
- Translated high fidelity prototypes into code using ReactJS
- Developed backend code using Django and Python
- Worked on API integrations using Django Rest Framework

- Hosted web applications on AWS; worked with ec2 instances, S3 buckets and CDNs
- Worked collaboratively with other engineers using Git(Github) for version control
- Involved in designing, conducting and analyzing results of user tests
- Implemented SEO best practices in the different websites developed
- Doing product demos during sales or customer feedback sessions

Impact Africa Network, Nairobi (Remote) - *Product Developer*
August 2020 - Sept 2022

Impact Africa Network is a startup studio based in Nairobi.
- Involved in coming up with new SaaS products in the startup studio; doing market research, product & system design, MVP development and user testing.
- Came up with various websites using Wordpress, HTML/CSS, Javascript and Django
- Assisted in managing the engineering team, coming up with sprints and assigned tasks coming up from the marketing department
- Worked on data collection and analytics using Airtable
- Editor for the Engineering Blog publications
- Implemented SEO best practices in the different websites developed

Clydan Consulting, Nairobi Kenya- *Contractual Software Developer*
January 2020 - August 2020

Clydan Consulting is an insurance firm based in Nairobi, Kenya.
- In a team that created an insurance web application to handle claims and premiums using Reactjs and Django
- Created APIs using DRF to be accessed by the frontend application
- Came up with the django backend to handle processing of insurance documents

Freelance Tutoring
August 2019 - September 2021
- Worked as a freelancer teaching and tutoring both middle and high school kids on Computer Studies, ICT and Python.

University of Nairobi, Kenya - *Software Engineering Internship*
May 2019 - August 2019
- Worked in a team to come up with a web application using block-chain technology, mainly focusing on the frontend application built on HTML/CSS and integrated on hyperledger APIs

EDUCATION

University of Nairobi, Nairobi Kenya- *Bsc Computer Science*

September 2016 - September 2020

Studied computer science and achieved the following:

- A First Class Honors in Bsc Computer Science

SKILLS

Frontend: Wordpress, Javascript, Reactjs, HTML5, CSS

Backend: Python, Django, Rest API

DevOps: AWS

Version Control: Git, Github, Gitlab

Languages: English, Swahili

Soft Skills: Collaboration, Proactivity, Leadership, Autonomy, Critical Thinking, Adaptability, Communication Skills

Others: SEO best practices, Sprint Planning

TOOLS

Tools: VScode, Postman, Figma, Jira, Miro, Trello, Clickup, Slack, Airtable, Zapier