Davin Stirling

I am an experienced IT Professional pivoting into web development having completed a Full Stack Web Development bootcamp and gained my Scrum Master certification. My tech career spans over 12 years across New Zealand and the UK, ranging from service desk & application support, to systems analysis & design, plus some programming & scripting. I have a particular interest in backend technologies and am keen to build on my experience with LAMP and MERN stacks.

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PROJECTS

Knowsy: Social Media Site - MERN (Dec 2020)

API Code http://bit.ly/ghSocialAPI Live http://bit.ly/socialmdemo

As a Scrum team of 4 we decided on the MERN stack with GraphQL for the API calls. We mostly did pair programming and I chose to work on the backend API, where I was heavily involved in researching and creating the GraphQL queries and mutations. I also integrated the front and backend repos so they could talk to each other.

Robot Stores: Ecommerce Store - *LAMP (Nov 2020)*

Code http://bit.ly/ghStores Live https://bit.ly/ghStores

I volunteered as Scrum Master for this project sprint and facilitated our team to create a detailed architecture plan, using my previous OO experience. We later adjusted the plan after reviewing the SOLID principles. Using the LAMP stack, we decided on the Hydrator Entity design pattern in PHP, with HTML, CSS and Bootstrap. I pair programmed to create some PHP classes, and also peer reviewed colleagues code in GitHub. During sprint review I gave a non-technical overview of the site's architecture.

To Do App - PHP (Dec 2020)

Code https://bit.ly/GHDtodo Live https://bit.ly/todoslim

After learning about MVC and PHP frameworks, we created a To Do app by cloning a Slim 4 repo and went through the architecture plan as a group. Working independently, I created CRUD functionality for the underlying MySQL database, using Routing, the Dependency Injection Container, Factories, Controllers and Views.

Jarver's Crypt: Maze Game - JavaScript (Oct 2020)

Code http://bit.ly/ghMaze Live https://bit.ly/jsmaze

As a Scrum team of 8 people, we designed and created a maze game using JavaScript, HTML and CSS. I pair programmed to design and build the splash screen, and created the EventListeners to detect collisions. I also implemented changes after our tutor's code reviews in GitHub.

SKILLS

LAMP

PHP7 including Slim4, PHPUnit

MySQL

MERN

JavaScript ES6 including React

Node.js & Express

MongoDB & Compass & Atlas

HTML5 & CSS3

GraphQL API

RESTful APIs & Postman

OOP, SOLID & MVC design principles

Git & GitHub

Docker

Scrum/Agile

EDUCATION

Full Stack Web Development Course – iO Academy, 2020

Certified Scrum Master – Agilify, 2020

Certificate in Applied Film-making & TV Production – NZ Film Academy, 2014

First Class BSc (Hons) in Computer Science, with IBM UK – University of Portsmouth, 2003

EXPERIENCE (CONTRACTING)

Support Consultant

Fusion 5, NZ (Permanent) // Sep - Nov 2019

Learned about Ivanti ITSM and provided application support. Investigated, analysed and resolved issues experienced by internal staff. Deployed minor changes into test and production environments, eg adding form fields, updating email templates & business logic workflow, adjusting views etc.

Field Services Engineer

WSP Opus // Nov 2018 - Sep 2019

Provided onsite and remote end user support to resolve issues and reduce backlog of 5,500 incidents following domain migration of mailboxes, users, assets, file servers and websites. Travelled to regional offices, performed pre and post migration checks and user support during migration. Collaborated with the IT team and fellow contractors to provide support. Successfully migrated 1,800 users and 2,100 assets within 6 weeks across 23 sites.

Service Desk Analyst

Plant and Food Research // Jul - Nov 2018 Watercare // Mar - Apr 2018 DDSIT // Mar 2013 - Jul 2017

Web Developer Whyte Communications // Nov 2012 - Jan 2013

Technical DB Documentation Visionstream // Nov 2011 - Jun 2012

Senior Customer Service Agent Kaseya (Permanent) // Oct 2010 - Nov 2011

Technical Support (Level 2) Visionstream // Dec 2009 - Sep 2010

Technical Analyst Gen-i, NZ // Oct 2007 - May 2009

Volunteering and Travel

August 2005 - August 2007

Volunteered as a house builder in Thailand for a year following the 2004 tsunami, enabling local families to build 106 houses. Taught myself basic spoken & written Thai to improve communications between locals and volunteers. Managed a team of 15 people in the project manager's absence.

Technical Support (Level 3)

IBM Warwick, UK (Permanent) // Sep 2003 - Jun 2005 Worked shifts providing 24x7 support in an eCommerce Server Farm.

Application Developer (Java)

IBM Portsmouth, UK // Sep 2001 - Sep 2003

Sole developer, responsible for the full lifecycle design, development and deployment of a website to register staff for a conference, built using Java, JSPs & JDBC. Received an internal award for their "innovative web-enabled registration application, enabling reuse for other conferences". Mentored a junior developer to customise the website & deploy it for a different conference.

Technical Resource

IBM UK // April - July 2001

INTERESTS

Health tech products that improve people's wellbeing via psychology

The design & architecture of almost everything from housing to software

Avid traveller, visited 10+ countries in 12 years in between various IT contracts while living in NZ

Attended 4 month filmmaking bootcamp in 2014, undertook industry work experience and later made various short films

Sci-fi TV shows