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Portfolio Website

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Kmotion Design Inc.

Grand Rapids, MI

Web Developer (Remote)

Jan 2024 - Present

- Developed functional websites using CraftCMS, Laravel Forge, Digital Ocean, and Tailwind, enhancing user engagement and experience.
- Significantly increased a client's web traffic by 200% post-launch through strategic design and development enhancements.
- Integrated features with Craft Plugins, including Freeforms and HubSpot API, and performed maintenance within WordPress environments.

Kmotion Design Inc.

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Entry-Level Web Developer (Remote Internship)

March 2023 - Jan 2024

- Gained hands-on experience with web development tools and languages, contributing to various projects and improving website functionalities. Crafted mock components for handoff to senior developers.
- Assisted in the integration of web features and plugins, learning best practices in web design and development in a professional setting on a team of 4.

Amazon Caledonia, MI

Order Picker (Part-time)

April 2021 - July 2023

- Managed and fulfilled orders efficiently, ensuring accurate delivery to customers, in a high-paced warehouse environment.
- Demonstrated flexibility and reliability in task management, supporting operational efficiency while balancing academic responsibilities.

SIDE / UNIVERSITY PROJECTS

BiblioSwap (University Student Startup)

Sept 2023 - Dec 2023

• Engineered a user-friendly platform for book swapping, leveraging React & Tailwind for frontend development and Firebase for backend services, enhancing the community's access to shared literature resources.

Particle Simulator (University Project)

Jan 2023 - April 2023

- Spearheaded the development of an interactive particle simulator using HTML5 and Three.js, with OrbitalControls for immersive navigation.
- Implemented customizable features allowing users to alter particle speed, color, and size, fostering an engaging user experience in a fun visualization. Accessible at: https://particlesim.vercel.app/

Cryptfo (University Team Project)

Jan 2022 - April 2022

• Integrated real-time cryptocurrency data fetching in a team of 4 to present users with up-to-date market insights, enhancing the educational value of the platform. Responsible for using Axios API to fetch JSON data.

Web Scraper (Side Project)

Jun 2022 - August 2022

• Developed a Python-based web scraping tool utilizing the Beautiful Soup library, for a personal passion project aimed at video game collecting, creating a system to scrape web pages for video game listings, including titles and prices, by navigating HTML attribute hierarchies.

EDUCATION

Grand Valley State University

Allendale, MI

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

2021 - 2023

Grand Rapids Community College

Grand Rapids, MI

Associate of Arts in Computer Science

2019 - 2021

ADDITIONAL

Technical Skills: Ubuntu, Windows Subsystem for Linux (WSL2), Bash, Git, Docker, DDEV, SQL

Certifications & Training: CCNA Routing and Switching, CS50 Harvard Certificate, Misc Udemy Courses

Awards: GVSU Project Day People's Choice Award, 1st Place among 70 Participants.