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A problem-solving enthusiast, I find fulfilment in working on complex challenges with a diverse team. As a recent graduate from a coding bootcamp, I have displayed exceptional adaptability and have quickly become proficient in the fundamentals of full-stack development. My background as a parliamentary caseworker has sharpened my verbal and written communication skills, making me a valuable asset in team-oriented projects.

SKILLS

Programming Languages

JavaScript, TypeScript, HTML, CSS, Java (learning)

Front End

React, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Jest, Cypress, React Testing Library

Agile Methodologies

Scrum, Pair Programming, Project Management, TDD

Back End

Node, Express, PostgreSQL, REST, Supertest, Postman, Auth0

Design

Figma, UI/UX Design, User Stories & Personas, Wireframing (Low & High Fidelity), Prototyping

DevOps

CI/CD, AWS

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

School of Code

Bootcamper

Sep 2022 – present | Remote, UK

- Developed full-stack JS applications using a range of tech, including Node, Express, React, & PostgreSQL
- Participated in pair programming, improving team-working, communication, and problem-solving skills
- Presented weekly hackathons and research tasks, explaining complex tech and coding decisions to the cohort
- Exchanged continuous feedback with peers, practicing resilience and a growth mindset
- Led the back-end team in a four-week final project, building a PostgreSQL DB and REST API interactions
- Implemented development best practices e.g. source control, documentation, accessibility & semantic code
- Provided after-hours assistance to peers with programming fundamentals, solidifying personal technical skills
- Collaborated in agile teams to ideate, design & build full-stack applications, demoing them to industry experts
- Served as scrum master, leading standups, retrospectives, and working iteratively using agile methodologies
- Demoed our final group project in a dynamic, high-pressure, exhibition-style event for employer partners

UK Parliament

Jun 2017 – Sep 2022 | Hednesford, UK

Caseworker

- Managed a high volume of casework enquiries, providing advice, guidance, and advocacy to constituents
- Collaborated with various stakeholders, including ministers and local authorities, to resolve complex issues
- Supported the MP in business meetings and surgeries, providing research and information on various topics
- Tailored delivery of information to ensure clients' understanding and provided ad-hoc support as needed
- Contributed to recruitment decisions by interviewing candidates and collaborating with the office manager
- Boosted community engagement through press releases and social media posts drafted under time pressure
- Upgraded office standards by creating new materials, including updated data protection and enquiry forms
- Achieved favourable outcomes for hundreds of clients on a range of issues, such as benefits, debt, & housing
- Demonstrated strong leadership and mentorship skills by fully training four new members of the full-time staff

EDUCATION

Graduate Diploma in Law - Commendation

Sep 2015 - Jul 2016 | Birmingham, UK

University of Law

Mooting, Business Challenge, Law Society Intervention Scheme

BA Hons English - First Class

Sep 2012 - Jul 2015 | Sheffield, UK

Sheffield Hallam University

Class Representative (all 3 years), Creative Filmmakers Society, Archery Society, Final Project Mark: 85

PROJECTS

LetChat ∂ Jan 2023 – Feb 2023

School of Code four-week project: Full stack communication app for landlords and tenants

- Implemented NextJS server-side rendering and image optimisation for enhanced performance and speed
- Designed a team manifesto, code style guide & Git branching strategy to streamline work & prevent conflicts
- Presented and demoed the app to stakeholders and potential employers in a high-pressure environment
- Delivered a finished full-stack app which provides real value as a solution for landlord-tenant communication

Insight Dashboard ∂ Nov 2022

School of Code one-week project: Full stack wellbeing dashboard

- Led a three-member team in delivering the coding phase of the app after a major unavoidable setback
- Recovered the project as Scrum Master, using agile methodologies and scaling back the original MVP
- Stored and updated data on the front-end using React state variables, recovering time & improving efficiency

Portfolio Website ∂ Jan 2022 – present

Personal professional website (IN PROGRESS)

- Designed a user-friendly website using Figma wireframes and Eleventy static site generation
- Created a mobile-first responsive design using CSS Flexbox and media queries to optimise for all screen sizes
- Utilised Eleventy and Nunjucks built-in templating and pagination to create a custom blog from scratch

Dice Roller ∂ present

Dice rolling app for tabletop RPGs (IN PROGRESS)

- Tailored components in React using conditional rendering based on user needs
- Allowed users to dynamically roll any number of dice using React state variables
- Designed with user experience in mind, including mobile-first approach and large buttons for ease of use
- · Optimised performance by avoiding inline function definitions, minimising packages, and using fragments

INTERESTS

Foreign Languages

I speak Basic Finnish and HSK-1 Mandarin. It's my goal to become a polyglot!

Puzzles

I'm currently tackling a notoriously difficult mystery from the 1930s called Cain's Jawbone.

Knitting

A mindful but challenging exercise, and a rewarding way to express my creativity.

Photography

As a people person, my interest mainly lies in portraits. I love the challenge of capturing someone's personality.

NOTES

Please note that I am based near Birmingham but will relocate for the right role.