


# Frank Mckenna

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## BIO

I am a junior full-stack developer with a huge passion for designing dynamic, user-centric web applications and writing clean, tested and reusable code. I am looking for a role where I can use my problem-solving skills and passion for tech to build products that have a positive impact on the world.

For the last 2 years, I have been teaching myself to code, culminating in my decision to undertake the selective Maker's Academy Bootcamp.

## Projects

Project	Description	Technologies
<a href="#">AceBook</a>	Group project at Makers Academy - Facebook clone that allows users to securely sign up and create a post with a photo and view their profile. Users can like and Comment on posts and delete them.	Ruby On Rails, AJAX, CSS
<a href="#">Bowling Challenge</a>	A Solo weekend challenge at Makers - A dynamic bowling scorecard that updates with every role, using the DOM and OOP principles.	JavaScript, OOP, SASS, DOM manipulation
<a href="#">Pin My Hike</a>	A hiking app that allows users to pin and View popular hiking locations around the world. As a group, we decided to learn a new tech stack for our final project at Makers, the MERN stack and work with the Google Maps API.	JavaScript, React, Node, MongoDB, Express Google Maps API

## EXPERIENCE

### Makers Academy, Remote – Coding Bootcamp

May 2021 – August 2021, Remote

A popular software developer Bootcamp that focuses on using best coding practices to create clean, tested and reusable code. Practices included Agile methodologies

to work effectively in a team, using pair programming, XP values, daily standups and sprint planning.

- JavaScript, Java, Ruby, Rails, Rspec, Jest, Capybara & Jasmine, HTML & SASS
- OOP, TDD, MVC and SOLID principles such as dependency injection and single responsibility principle.

### **Self-employed** – Professional poker player(Live and Online)

January 2011 – April 2021

Poker was a huge passion of mine and it taught me many skills that I can apply to my new career as a software developer.

Here I'll explain some of the things I did day to day as a poker player.

I had a strict daily tournament schedule to keep myself disciplined to play the right games and proactively managed my own time and bankroll.

I consistently adapted to the ever-changing nature of poker to stay ahead of the game by adjusting my strategy when needed. This meant studying my own game to plug leaks and work on the mental side of the game to ensure I was sharp when it came to playing tournaments.

I won many online and live tournaments, most notably my first major online poker tournament win in 2014, in a MINIFTOPS Poker Series event.

Skills used: Discipline, Analytical, Problem-Solving, Adaptable, Management, Psychology, and Resilience.

### **ECL The Care & Wellbeing Company, Loughton** – *Community Carer*

July 2019 – March 2020

In this role, I worked as part of a team to care for adults with learning disabilities with a range of needs. I built trust and rapport with customers helping them to develop their independence by providing them with life skills in line with their progression plans.

### **Halfords, Braintree** – *Customer Advisor*

April 2017 – December 2018

Customer advisor and bicycle mechanic in a high traffic Halfords branch. Advising customers on bicycle products that suit their needs. Building and repairing bicycles.

## **EDUCATION**

### **Beech Hill College, Monaghan Ireland**

September 2005 – July 2008

Junior Certificate including Maths (B) and English (B)

## **HOBBIES**

Hiking | Meditation | Cycling | Coding | Poker