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Front End Developer

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After several years working in the financial markets as a Money Broker, I decided on a career change and in 2015 I successfully completed the General Assembly WDI bootcamp. Since then I've worked as a Front End Developer working on large codebases as well as large migration projects.

Experience:

Front End Engineer, EF Education First - Jan 08 2018 to current

Working in an agile environment, I help maintain and migrate 16 micro websites, that are part of the core EF business model. The websites range from vanilla FE, to React and Redux. Our Back End runs on .NET framework using TFS for checking in files and our FE websites use Bitbucket for version control.
We work closely with our design and content teams, to ensure smooth processes when migrating/updating our websites and to ensure we are using pixel perfect development.

Current projects:
• Migrating our corporate website from vanilla to React and Redux.
• Building a React GUD to make use of reusable components across all our React projects.
• Migrating our header and footer to use React.

Past projects:
• Migrating two of our websites to use React and Redux, one being our contact website and the other our careers website - both heavy on data and connecting to internal and external services.
• Rebuilt our header, footer and navigation, to fit in line with our new company GUD.
• Updating the EPI (English Proficiency Index) website, which is redesigned on a yearly basis.

Front End Developer, MedicAnimal - Jan 01 2017 to Dec 22 2017

Within the first year at MedicAnimal I progressed from a Junior to Mid Front End Developer gaining more lead roles on different projects to develop and focus on.
Projects included:
• Lead on implementing redesign of FE for all brands
• Built a Node application that runs MongoDB Geo-Spatial queries on customer data and their closest animal shelter - mapping the queried data to mapbox and exporting it to a CSV file for further investigation by our Business team
• Investigating the implementation of Elastic search to replace our current Solr integration
• Tech lead for SEO and implementing micro data across the website
• creating a survey poll for customers to vote on marketing generated questions and answers
• building a symptom checker for pet advice - helping pet owners to initially diagnose their pets illness for vet referrals
• Assisted with the planning and implementation of DPD api for local pickup

Junior Developer, MedicAnimal - Jan 27 2016 to Dec 31 2016

This is my first commercial role as a Junior Front-End Developer. The role focuses on implementing new features for the website and fixing existing bugs with in an agile working environment, running on a two week sprint schedule.

Experience Continued:

Part-time Instructor, General Assembly London - April 2016 to Jan 2018

Part-time instructor for Getting started in Web Development at General Assembly, introducing non developers to the world of coding and web development.

GA WDI, London - Sept 28 2015 to Dec 18 2015

WDI is a three month bootcamp focusing on teaching their students numerous web technologies while preparing students to become Junior Web Developers working within an agile environment. The technologies that I learnt were: HTML/HAML, CSS/SASS, Ruby on Rails, Sinatra, Node.js, jQuery, JavaScript, AngularJS, SQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB, TDD, Heroku, AWS, Git and working with third party API's.

Money Broker - ICAP PLC - Nov 2007 to May 2012

I started working on the EURO FX desk as a Junior Money Broker supporting the Senior Brokers with voice and electronic deals, deal ticket entry, trading deals with external brokers and other worldwide ICAP trading desks.

My role evolved to moving to the Emerging Market desk, trading in Hungarian and Romanian FX.

In 2011 I moved to ICAP Bahrain to trade in Middle Eastern FX currencies and SPOT, dealing with clients from Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Kuwait, Dubai and Qatar.

Skills:

Skill	Rating	Skill	Rating	Skill	Rating
CSS	●●●●○	Node.js	●●○○○	Mongo DB	●●●○○
HTML	●●●●○	JavaScript	●●●○○	React	●●●○○
Ruby on Rails	●●○○○	JQuery	●●●○○	AngularJS	●●○○○

Education:

High school - St Albans College, South Africa, 1998

Web Development Immersive - General Assembly, London, Sept 2015 - Dec 2015

More About Me:

I moved over to the UK in 1998 and love living and working here. My family live close by to me and I spend a lot of my free time with them, including my French Bulldog Dixie. I am a huge foodie, and when I'm not coding, I'm daydreaming about where to eat next.

Things I Love:

Thing	Rating	Thing	Rating	Thing	Rating
Craft Beer	●●●●●	French Bulldogs	●●●●●	Coffee	●●●●●
Eggs Benny	●●●●●	Coding	●●●●●	Brussel Sprouts	○○○○○