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Summary

As a result-oriented indovidual, I combine my comprehensive expertise in full-stack development, project management, and tech mentoring to drive impactful solutions. With a proven track record of innovation and team leadership, I excel in crafting visionary strategies and delivering high-quality results. My passion for technology, entrepreneurship, and financial solutions fuels my commitment to leveraging cutting-edge offline technologies like USSD and SMS. Proficient in Microsoft Suite and Google Suite, I am equally skilled as a dynamic public speaker, effectively communicating intricate technology, ICT, and entrepreneurship concepts to diverse audiences.

Experience

Chief Technology Officer (Hub Manager)
02 Innovations Lab, Lafia Nigeria | *August 2022 - Present*
- Spearhead technology strategy, overseeing development processes, and driving innovation initiatives.
- Lead a cross-functional team in designing, developing, and deploying innovative digital solutions.
- Manage projects, ensuring timely delivery and high-quality implementation.

Fullstack Engineer (Contract)
Punch Newspapers, Lagos, Nigeria | *April 2022 - August 2022*
- Developed a WordPress theme using PHP, jQuery, and MySQL.
- Optimized applications for performance and scalability.
- Worked with a team of engineers to deliver high-quality software.

Tech Mentor/Programmer (Contract)
Digital Nasarawa Innovation Hub, Nigeria | *January 2022 - Present*
- Provided guidance and mentorship to aspiring tech enthusiasts, fostering a culture of learning and growth.
- Delivered virtual and physical mentorship sessions on Javascript, HTML, PHP and Wordpress

Certifications:
- Project Management - Coursera, 2023

- Certified Member - Nigeria Computer Society (NCS), 2021
- Mobile Web Developer - Google Africa Developer Training Program, 2021

Education:
- **Bachelor of Science in Computer Science** (2:1)
  Federal University of Lafia, Nigeria | 2021

Projects:
(a) Offline Payments System using USSD
Developed an offline payments system using Express JS, Vue.js, and SQL as a final year project.
Secured first place in a hackathon competition in 2021, competing against 50+ teams in Nigeria.

(b) MEEDA - Digital Assistant for Me
Created a social media chatbot on WhatsApp, Facebook, and Twitter for purchasing airtime, data, and utility payments.
Gained a customer base of 100+ users; meedaonline.com

(c) Easybuy4me Ventures
Co-founded a startup (February 2022 - July 2023), connecting users needing errands with reliable vehicle owners.
Built and managed the platform; easybuy4me.com

(d) DNI Hubs Website
Constructed and maintained dnihubs.com for student registration, learning progress tracking, and certificate generation using PHP.

(e) Seifac.org
Developed seifac.org enabling users to apply for loans under a government program, serving 150k+ users in 20+ cities.

(f) FULafia Guide App
Designed and built a campus navigation and information app with 100+ downloads on Google Play Store.
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Achievements & Awards:
- Recognized as one of the most outstanding Alumni by the Vice Chancellor of Federal University of Lafia, 2023
- Led the winning team for the MSME challenge at Nasarawa State Investment Summit, May 2022
- First place at a social hackathon organized by Credo Central, January 2022
- First place at the FSI Innovation challenge, October 2021
- Led the team that secured first place at TIUTI hackathon by Nigeria Association

of Computing Students, May 2020
- Awarded as the most innovative student in the Faculty of Computing, Federal University of Lafia, August 2020
- Awarded 'Mr. Software' in the Faculty of Computing, Federal University of Lafia, August 2020

Interests:
- Volunteering in community activities
- Discussing technology and entrepreneurship
- Exploring Financial Technology
- Leveraging Offline Technologies – USSD, SMS

Leadership and Volunteer Experience:
- Lead Organizer – Google Developers Group Lafia (2019 – Present)
- Lead Organizer – Twitter Student Developer Club FULafia (2020 – Present)
- Nasarawa State Lead Organizer – Royal African Young Innovators (2019 – Present)
- Nasarawa State ICT Director – Nigeria Association of Computing Students (2019 – 2020)
- Club Lead – Google Developer Student Club FULafia (2019 – 2020)
- Software Director – Nigeria Association of Computing Students, Federal University of Lafia (2019 – 2020)
- PRO – Muslim Students Society, Federal University of Lafia (2019 – 2020)
- PRO – Interfaith Network Against Corruption, Federal University of Lafia (2019 – 2020)
- School Ambassador – Ingressive Campus Ambassador FULafia (2018 – 2019)
- Tutorial Coordinator – Muslim Students Society, Nasarawa State Polytechnic Lafia (2014 – 2016)

Hard Skills:
- Programming Languages: JavaScript, PHP
- Web Development: HTML5, CSS3, Vue.js, Express.js
- Database: SQL
- Version Control: Git, GitHub
- Project Management: Agile, Scrum
- Chatbot Development: WhatsApp, Facebook, Twitter APIs
- API Integration: Payment gateways, utility bill APIs
- Microsoft Suite: Word, Excel, PowerPoint
- Google Suite: Docs, Sheets, Slides

- Financial Technology: Digital payments, financial solutions
- Offline Technologies: USSD, SMS-based systems

Soft skills

- Leadership: Team coordination, mentorship, organizational leadership
- Communication: Technical writing, public speaking
- Problem Solving: Innovative thinking, creative solutions
- Entrepreneurial: Startup founding, business development
- Community Engagement: Organizing events, fostering collaboration
- Public Speaking: Technology, ICT, and Entrepreneurship topics
- Adaptability: Embracing new technologies and methodologies
- Teamwork: Collaborating effectively with cross-functional teams
- Time Management: Efficiently organizing and prioritizing tasks
- Critical Thinking: Analyzing complex situations and making informed decisions

References

Available upon request.