

Jim Gumbley

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Profile:

Adaptable and delivery focused Developer and Systems Engineer with strong attention to detail and outstanding troubleshooting skills. Organised and cautious approach to change, deep understanding of modern and aging IT systems, able to understand complex systems quickly and come up with creative ideas. Develops good relationships with colleagues and customers. Can work in a self-directed manner to broad grained goals.

Technologies:



Current Employment:

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER with M*Modal (was MedQuist), since November 2010.

- Developing and maintaining service oriented Java EE web-services to expose and extend functionality of existing 10 year old application.
- Use of Spring, Maven, Hibernate and confidence with modern JEE stack.
- Development of PL/SQL stored procedures and Oracle views to extend existing codebase. Analysis of Hibernate SQL for performance issues.
- Developing supporting integration test harness using Python and managing build system based on Hudson.
- Participated in transition to a Service Oriented Architecture, refactoring and versioning of services supporting multiple clients.
- Team representative on daily defect reviews with QA department and liaison with deployment team on software deployments.

Previous Employment:

PRODUCTION ENGINEER with MedQuist Holdings, from April 2008 to November 2010.

- Production support working in large high availability datacentre environment for healthcare industry.
- Made main production system stable by developing monitor applications to fix several long standing timing issues.
- Responsible for deployment of server software to test and production environments as well as escalations from L3 technical support.
- Built the base Windows Server and Linux datacentre VM templates and was a leading contributor to a project which virtualised over 200 servers in less than 8 months.
- Developed, designed and rolled out Oracle Weblogic cluster to production based on Red Hat Enterprise Linux VMs using Python scripting and the Puppet configuration management engine.
- As part of an infrastructure refresh, led planning and execution of regular major system maintenance working with DBA, datacentre infrastructure and network groups
- Collected performance data and analysed source code to produce root cause analyses for departmental and senior management.

DESKTOP SPECIALIST with Sytner Group from January 2006 to April 2008.

- Team leader on strategic project to standardize branch IT provision for automobile retail branch network which had grown by acquisition.
- Saw 2.5 year project through to completion working on-site at over 50 sites within Sytner's network of prestige dealerships including 7 newly acquired sites.
- Responsible for liaison with onsite management, lead team of third party IT technicians.
- Developed and defined estate-wide (over four thousand desktops) procedure for installation of desktop applications on cookie-cutter Windows XP image.
- Lead successful desktop installation at largest Ferrari Aftersales department in the UK, arriving onsite the day the business was acquired.
- Setup and developed a Wiki on central infrastructure, documenting installation procedures in a clear, simple manner.
- Developed library of installation scripts for specific franchise information systems (e.g. Mercedes, BMW, Porsche, Ferrari).

HELPDESK SPECIALIST with Sytner Group from September 2005 to January 2006.

Education:

BSc ECONOMICS Class II.i from The University of Sheffield, 2005.

- Undergraduate level micro and macro economics course along with supporting statistics (econometrics) and economic history.
- Studied modules in Computer Science (Java, Relational Databases, Robotics)

STUDY ABROAD YEAR at the Copenhagen Business School, from 2004 to 2005.

- Studied Pricing, Business, International Financial Markets and European Economic History.

Four A Levels at grade A: English, Geography, General Studies and Economics. Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Personal:

- Climbing, mountain biking, visiting historical sites, going to the gym, music, motor cars, photography, reading, history books and the financial markets.
- Has a car and a full driver's licence.