

Careers in Web Design

One thing we didn't talk much about in class was careers in web design. Finding a job out of college is one of the more stressful things you have to do in your senior year. In web design, some entry level or starter jobs include, junior front end developer, designer, or UX engineer. Those are the jobs that you can get without having a ton of experience. It is possible to get one of those but in a mid-level position if you were working during your time in college and have enough experience. The point of junior level positions is to help the employee learn how to do everything. This is a learning experience and asking questions is a big part of this. You should be able to show good front end basics. Some of the types of companies you could be working for are startups, FAANGs, small, mid, fortune 500, and sole proprietors. The pay for jobs ranges a lot based on the company, role, and market/city. Junior front end developers can make a good salary. In Lansing, there was a job where they were paying 45,000 dollars, but it is a smaller market so that is why it isn't that high paying. In large cities, where cost of living is high and companies are larger, this same position is probably making around 85,000 dollars more or less. For being a job out of college, this is not bad pay and if you show that you have worked hard and have good production, you could get promoted in 2-3 years, which is usually how long people stay juniors for.