KC Thomas

I am a curious, ambitious, energetic wonderer and wanderer. After spending some time traveling and learning about the world; living lives as an ESL teacher and Inbound Digital Marketer— I have settled into a new role that I only ever dreamt was possible: I am a **Full Stack Software Developer**, with interests ranging on everything from finance to music.

Pushing boundaries, experimenting, and testing are some of my favourite things. It doesn't take much to get me excited about a project!

Over the past year, I wrote my own Sudoku Game, taught myself Ruby with App Academy's Online program, and have now graduated Makers Academy (a 12 week Software Development Bootcamp). Being in tech wasn't my first path, given my history in Theatre, English, and Marketing— however, tech does something that no other field can: It makes me excited to keep learning.

Projects

Name	Description	Tech/tools
Le Chicken: The Poulet	This was our final group project. Le Chicken: The Poulet is a language learning RPG mobile app for both iOS and Android	React Native, Expo, JSX, Jest, Cypress
Chitter Challenge	This challenge was to replicate Twitter	Ruby, Sinatra, PostgreSQL

Experience

Impressa Solutions (Nov. 2019 to Sept. 2020)
Inbound Alchemist (Inbound Digital Marketer/Social Media Team Lead)

- Consulted and collaborated with stakeholders, clients, and client-based teams.
- Developed digital marketing strategy in conjunction with CEO and various clients.
- Lead the hiring, onboarding, and managed new Social Media team.

Daegu Gyeongbuk English Village (Nov. 2018 to Nov. 2019)
ESL Teacher

- Devised and delivered customised ESL curriculum, based on DGEV's criteria.
- Coordinated with non-English speaking staff to deliver top-notch work and outcomes for students.
- Adapted well and quickly to a new culture.

UW Credit Union (Oct. 2016 to June 2018)
Fulltime Teller

- Demonstrated ability to follow strict guidelines by enforcing federal and credit union policies.
- Assured that all monies are efficiently and accurately counted, and all procedures are followed accordingly.
- Ensured member safety by delivering excellent customer service and asking unintrusive questions to verify legitimacy of certain transactions.

- Collaborated with a coworker to create and deliver a monthly employee newsletter, in a city-wide effort to increase employee morale.

Education

Makers Academy (Sept. 2020 to Dec. 2020)

- Used Agile methodology to lead several team projects that lead to the creation of: A Facebook copy, an AirBNB copy, and a language learning RPG mobile app (Le Chicken: The Poulet)
- Followed Test Driven Design (TDD), Object Oriented Programming (OOP), and MVC principles in all projects.
- Learned Behaviour Driven Design, Functional Design, and REST API principles.
- Technologies, frameworks, and principles used:
  - OOP, TDD, MVC, DDD, REST API
  - Agile/XP
  - Ruby, Rails, JavaScript, React.js, React Native, Node.js, Express
  - RSpec, Jasmine, Jest, Capybara, Cypress

University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee (Aug. 2012 to May 2018)

- B.A. Theatre Arts & Certificate in Arts & Social Entrepreneurship
- 3.0 GPA
- Worked for the IT Help Desk for two years (2012 - 2014)— holding both consultant and supervisory positions.
- Campused and was elected as an At-Large Senator for UWM's Student Government in 2012.
- Experimented with a range of classes including: Educational Theory, Macro Economics, Mathematics, Playwriting, and Astronomy to name a few.
- Due to the nature of American schooling, my the range of classes within my degree gave me a broad education.