# Birkan Kara

## Frontend Developer

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## SUMMARY

I'm Birkan, a frontend developer based in Istanbul with 5+ years' living and working in New York City ( 2018-2023 ). I transitioned from videography to frontend development, specializing in React JS for web apps. I'm also proficient in Adobe Premiere Pro for multimedia content creation.

### Software Development Summary

I'm proficient in building websites using HTML, CSS, JavaScript and React JS, and I enjoy creating reusable components to maintain clean code. I work well in teams and use tools like Jira and Slack to stay organized. I can ensure code is well-structured and handle data effectively. I'm also familiar with agile methodologies like Scrum and Kanban, and I'm skilled in using Git and GitHub for code management. Additionally, I can fetch data for websites using React Query and Axios, and I'm experienced in managing data and routes with Context API, React Router, and React Hook Form.

## EXPERIENCE

### Frontend Developer (Intern)
**Garcia Technology Solutions**                                        July 2023 - Present,  Istanbul, Turkey

Garcia is a software services and outsourcing company that provides high technology services and solutions with the help of a great team.

· In my position at Garcia, I use React to build web apps. I also work with styling tools like Material UI, Mantine and Tailwind.
· I am skilled in managing data using State Management Context API and API calls React Query (TanStack Query).
· I've also gained experience working collaboratively within a team using Jira, Slack, Agile methods (Scrum, Kanban), GitHub and daily meetups.

### Frontend Development Program (Student)          August 2022 - August 2023, New York City, USA ( 1 Year )
**The Odin Project**

The Odin Project is an open-source, self-paced online curriculum that provides aspiring web developers with the resources and projects needed to learn and master full-stack web development skills, including HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and various frameworks like React and Node.js.

· Completed The Odin Project's Full Stack Web Development program, a comprehensive online curriculum that focuses on building practical skills in web development.
· Developed proficiency in front-end and back-end technologies, including HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React.js, and more.
· Completed various hands-on projects, including building responsive web applications, implementing database functionality, and integrating APIs.
· Acquired strong problem-solving abilities and demonstrated the ability to work independently and collaboratively in a team-based environmen

### Video Producer
**White in Red**                                            March 2020 - September 2022,  New York City, USA ( 2 Years )

White in Red is a dynamic video production company dedicated to crafting captivating visual experiences. Our passion lies in bringing stories to life through engaging videos that resonate with audiences. With a commitment to creativity and quality, we transform ideas into compelling visuals, ensuring each project is a unique and memorable journey."

· Procient videographer experienced in collaborating with diverse clients to produce engaging video content for various platforms such as` websites, TikTok, YouTube, and Instagram.
· Manage the entire video production process from client consultations to nal delivery, including identifying client needs, coordinating shoots,` lming, and post-production editing.`
· Consistently create visually appealing videos that exceed expectations and leave a lasting impression.
· Proven track record of delivering high-quality videos with impactful storytelling for businesses and personal projects.

### Video Content Creator
**Youtube**                                             June 2021 - September 2022,  New York City, USA( 1 Year, 3 Months)

· Successfully manage two YouTube channels: one documenting daily life (1K subscribers) and the other focused on gameplay (2K average views).
· Utilize effective social media strategies for 10% subscriber growth and 20% increase in video views.
· Implement YouTube's recommendation system for improved discoverability and click-through rates.
· Consistently upload 2 videos per week, maintaining viewer retention rate.
· Develop valuable content creation and audience engagement skills, collaborating with notable influencers for increased channel engagement.

### Social Media Content Creator
**TikTok**                                                 January 2022 - August 2022,  New York City, USA (7 Months)

· Conducted engaging street interviews with individuals from diverse backgrounds, resulting in a library of 50+ high-quality video content pieces.
· Demonstrated exceptional communication skills by consistently finding captivating topics and initiating discussions that garnered an average of 40.000 views per video.
· Produced highly engaging videos that achieved an average engagement rate of 22%, surpassing industry benchmarks.
· Maintained up-to-date knowledge of the latest social media trends and changes, resulting in 200% increase in audience engagement and 100% growth in follower count.

## EDUCATION

### English as a Second Language
Minor in English · Campus Education · New York City · 2023 ·
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### Bachelor of Science
Akdeniz University · Antalya, Turkey · 2018

## CERTIFICATIONS

### JavaScript Algorithms and Data Structures
freeCodeCamp · 2023
Developer Certification, representing approximately 300 hours of coursework.

### Advanced English – Academic Preparation
Campus Education, New York City · 2020
English as a second language

## COURSEWORK

### freeCodeCamp
Online · 2023 · React, Javascript, HTML , CSS

### The Odin Project
Online · 2022 · React, Javascript, HTML , CSS

## SKILLS

**Skills & Experience:**
• HTML , CSS , JavaScript
• React JS
• Context API, Axios, React Router v6, React Query ( TanStack ), React Hook Form
• Tailwind, Material UI, Mantine
• Responsive Design
• Professional working proficiency in spoken and written English
• Version control tools ( git ) , GitHub
• Agile Development ( Scrum, Kanban ) , Slack

**Goals to learn :**
• Typescript

**Other Skills:**
• Adobe Premiere Pro
• Adobe Photoshop
• Youtube – TikTok Content Creating

## HOBBIES & INTERESTS

• Fashion & Design
• Street wear, Sneakers
• Camping, Hiking
• Skateboarding
• Video Production, Videography, Content Creation
• Thrifting