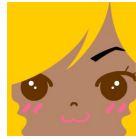# Laura Ambrose

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Profile

After graduating from my Masters, I decided to take some time out and travel Asia. I moved to Korea, where I taught English at first. While I was doing this I had a scooter accident, which made me realise that life is short and I should appreciate every day I have. I made an effort to get into jobs that I would wake up in the morning and look forward to going in to do, first at advertising agencies, then went on to do some modelling, TV work and play bass guitar in a band. I then decided to return to London and after a year back started playing with coding and ruby on the advice of many of my close friends, who described me as a 'massive geek who just didn't know it yet'. I realised it was something that I really enjoyed and that I wanted to do everyday so took steps to make this part of my life and work with my courses at GA. Since then I have constantly challenged myself at work learning new languages and frameworks, with a goal to enjoying my job and passing that positivity through to my colleagues and clients.

Professional Experience

Durable Digital
Junior Front End Web Developer
March 2015 - Present

Creating front end work that interacts with Umbraco and Sitecore frameworks. Working to designs provided in HTML / CSS basic markup and from PDFs. Using Adobe Illustrator and Photoshop to create and edit simple assets. Working in Angular.js to display data from a large API graphically. Using Handlebars.js to create mock html pages. Integrating front end work with .NET and C# on the back end. Creating custom components on sites such as navigation. Working with the team on Git and SVN. Using Node.js and Grunt to compile, uglify and minify code. Delivering work to deadlines in an AGILE working environment.

General Assembly
Teaching Assistant
April 2014 - Present

Assisting students on the 'Programming for Non Programmers' course at General Assembly. Helping them find errors in their HTML, CSS and JavaScript work, and helping them through their first steps in coding.

Web Development Intensive, General Assembly

Student

Sept-Dec 2014

Making RESTful sites using a variety of frameworks, mainly Ruby on Rails. Working in an AGILE environment, attending a daily scrum and making dynamic and responsive pages using the following languages and tools; Ruby, Ruby on Rails, CSS/SASS, HTML/HAML, SQL, PostgreSQL, Sinatra, JavaScript/JQuery, AJAX, Angular, Devise/Oauth/Cancan, Heroku, Waypoints. I have some experience with TDD and Rspec, while also using Github consistently for version management and to collaborate on projects and share work.

Front End Web Development, General Assembly

Student

July-Sept 2014

My initial foray into Web Development, covering front end languages and the development of simple responsive and modern sites.

Medisec East

Medical PA

2005-2006 / 2013-2014 (Medical PA)

- Communicating with doctors, other healthcare professionals and patients, regarding appointments, treatments and test results.
- Ensuring that mail correspondence was accurate and without errors.
- Being punctual with attendance and with work deadlines.

Cartel Creative, (Gangnam, Seoul)

Account Executive Assistant

18/08/12-25/10/12

- Providing creative input and designing promotions for major corporate clients such as Red Bull GmbH.
- Supporting the production team in the management and staging of large events.
- Maintaining strong client relations; managing their country-specific needs and planning publicity for events and companies.

GREY Worldwide (Apgujeong, Seoul)

Account Executive

01/03/09 - 18/01/10

- Developing new and innovative promotions for our clients, in particular Heineken International. Working as part of a team to maintain constant dialogue with our clients, ensuring a high level of customer satisfaction.
- Organising and monitoring events for clients, including the provision of detailed feedback.
- Copy editing for television and print advertisements.

Wall Street Institute (Gangnam /Samsung, Seoul)

Language Instructor

10/04/2007 - 31/12/2008

Volunteer Work

British Transport Police. (South London Area)

Special Constable

01/03/2002 – 01/01/2006

Enforcing British Law and Railway Bylaws in order to minimise crime and promote public safety. Legal reasoning and first aid. Documenting cases and accurate accurate record-keeping at the standard required to be admissible in a court of law. Working as part of a team of officers to discharge these responsibilities effectively.

Education

September 2015 - December 2015 .NET Object-Oriented Programming using C#
City University London

September 2014 - December 2014 Web Development Immersive
General Assembly London

2005 – 2006 MSc. Medical Parasitology
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (United Kingdom)

2002 – 2005 BSc. (Honours) Environmental Science (2:2)
King's College London, University of London (United Kingdom)

A-Level Qualifications
Chemistry, Biology, Physics, General Studies (BCDD)

Languages

English (Primary), Korean (Spoken and written to an intermediate level), Japanese (Super rusty after Korea)

Activities and Hobbies

Playing;
PlayStation (especially as a winter cold avoidance method) / DS, My double bass and bass guitar (badly), With C#.

Going;
To the gym, To track days and car racing events, On road trips.

Eating;
Lots and lots of Nutella, which probably doesn't count as a skill, so I removed it from my skills and put it here as it is definitely a hobby of mine.

References

Available upon request
Portfolio http://laura-the.ninja/, **Github** https://github.com/lambro,
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