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ABOUT ME

I'm a creative developer and full time passionate learner. Starting fresh out of high school I quickly gained a commercial pilots licence (with some fun extras, such as a stunt endorsement). Since then I have studied within multiple other areas - always finishing what I start.

My love of tech had early roots, with my childhood being full of multiple gaming systems. Over time this has flourished, as each career experience has nurtured and highlighted that my technical skills are where I thrive. I began self studying javascript to provide solid foundations for a coding bootcamp and now that it's complete I'm ready to dive headfirst into a coding career.

Previous colleagues have described me as someone who combines the energy and excitement of a fresh graduate with the experience and communication skills of a seasoned worker.

EXPERIENCE

Enspiral Dev Academy *Student - Software Development Bootcamp*

August 2021 - December 2021

This 15 week programme was an intensive hands-on learning experience. We used a modern tech stack focusing on incorporating GitHub, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React, relational databases and test-driven development as well as using pair-programming, teamwork and core human skills materials.

For my final project my team of four self-taught Phaser-3, Object Oriented Programming, Aseprite and Tiled in order to create a fully fledged platforming game. None of these systems were taught during the course and we completed the learning and games creation in only 7 days.

SKILLS

React

Javascript

CSS

HTML

PROJECTS

Magic Duck: a coders virtual rubber duck that gives helpful responses to common coding mistakes

Git Good: a retro platformer built in 7 days with Phaser-3

Speedbacking: a website to make speedbacking simpler - a process using round robin style pairing to give rapid feedback among team members

See these in action on my portfolio

HOBBIES

Acting (Ads/Film Extra/Stand-in)

Costume creation

Surfing

Hockey

Ministry for Primary Industries **Workforce Analyst**

July 2020 - Current

In my current role I am responsible for analysing the data from a new government initiative focused on connecting those who have lost employment due to COVID-19 with the large demand for workers within the Primary Industry sector.

As the first analyst for the team I rapidly created data management processes that have shaped how the team manages reporting requirements.

I'm accountable for creating visual data representations and year to year comparisons of our findings to assist in external stakeholder presentations and government reporting.

As one of the more experienced team members I also provide peer reviewing for other department members to ensure clarity.

Ministry for Primary Industries **Quarantine Officer**

August 2019 - July 2020

Worked directly with key stakeholders in the Primary Industries to prevent the entry of invasive pests and diseases into NZ.

Consistent and fast typing skills were required as data entry was a hugely important part of the sector for auditing.

BNZ **Banking Advisor**

May 2018 - May 2019

This role was widely scoped from back office portfolio management, to face to face meetings with prospective clients to generate new lending, insurance, investments and business to achieve company goals and targets.

I assessed customers' financial situations to develop strategic financial planning solutions and take the complication out of managing their monetary goals.

This also allowed me to take part in a volunteer initiative 'Closed for Good', aimed at educating various age groups about financial health and online security.

Working daily within a terminal, this was but one of the many steps I took towards tech as a career.

OTHER EDUCATION

Nelson Aviation College **New Zealand Diploma in Aviation** **(Airline Preparation)**

January 2015 - December 2016

Graduated with Commercial Licence and Endorsements - including completion of the highest level of theory available, all on first attempts.

One subject I had a knack for in particular was Flight Planning - with 100% marks gained in it's exam I realised I have a love for finding patterns in things and working with data.

Waimea College **NCEA level 3 with UE**

January 2009- December 2013

Studied Physics, Mathematics, English, Psychology and Drama.

References available on request