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A web application engineer with an interest in how humans, code and machines talk to each other. Whilst I have experience in *React* and *Node.js*, I'm constantly curious to try new things and understand how they fit into the ecosystem. Having spent time working in the political campaigning space, I'm now looking for opportunities to apply and develop my skills in commercial settings, and at scale. With a thirst for technical, process and domain knowledge, I want to work in teams that are doing *Agile* and *DevOps* well.

Experience

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| Jan - Feb 2020 | Full Stack Developer at Rebecca Long-Bailey for Labour Leader
Working as part of a small team building web application campaign tools. Leading on the design and development of a tool allowing supporters to find their local 'nomination meeting' via postcode search. <i>Technologies: React, Express, Node.js, PostgreSQL.</i> |
| Aug - Dec 2019 | Full Stack Developer - independent campaign tools
Designing and building voter mobilisation web applications during the <i>General Election</i> . These tools redirected ~1.5k users to the government <i>Register to Vote</i> website. See votetinder.com and climateelection.vote/whatsapp . <i>Technologies: Vanilla Javascript, Express, Node.js, PostgreSQL.</i> |
| Apr 2018 - Aug 2019 | Developer / Tech Coordinator at Peoples Momentum
Designing and building public facing campaign mobilisation web applications. Automating GDPR compliance work in Node.js. Servicing miscellaneous technical needs. Some staff and volunteer management. <i>Technologies: React, Vanilla Javascript, Express, Node.js, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, Third-party APIs.</i> |
| Sept - Dec 2017 | Intranet Development Officer at Anti-Slavery International (part-time)
Project management and implementation of a new organisation-wide knowledge management system. |
| Sept 2017 | Events Assistant for LabourList
Assisted with events at Labour Party Conference. Managed equipment logistics and answered attendee enquiries. |
| Aug 2004 - May 2013 | Camp Chief; Group Chief; Staff Trainer with Forest School Camps
<i>School Holidays:</i> Various volunteer and management roles, most recently as a Camp Chief responsible for 30 staff and 90 children. Event organisation, project |

management, administration, finance, volunteer management and staff training,

May - Jun 2016	Head Invigilator, King's College London Managed the invigilation of examinations for a zone of 400 students. Briefed other staff and organised the dissemination and collection of exam materials. Implemented disciplinary procedures and ensured student safety and wellbeing.
Nov 2015 - Jan 2016	Database and Research Assistant (ad hoc days), Office of The Shadow Chancellor Developed an improved database system to collate key contacts groups and records of meetings. Researched the policy positions of NGOs, companies and grassroots groups with a stake in economic policy.
Sep - Nov 2015	Lead Event Organiser, Peoples Momentum Lead organiser of Momentum's first major event at which the Shadow Chancellor John McDonnell spoke. Booked guest speakers, managed and briefed volunteers on the night, oversaw stage management and liaised with venue staff to safely manage the flow of 400 guests.
May - Sep 2015	Phonebank coordinator, Jeremy Corbyn for Labour Leader Campaign Greeted and briefed other volunteers, managed a coordination rota, provided logistical support and dealt with challenging callers.
Feb 2013 – Jul 2014	Special Educational Needs Teaching Assistant, Ravenstone Primary School
Mar 2011 - Dec 2013	Project Support Worker, Grow Heathrow (aka 'Transition Heathrow')
Feb – May 2012	Lead Tutor in Horticulture & Environment, West Drayton YPC
Oct 2009 - Jun 2011	Special Educational Needs (SEN) Teaching Assistant, Oak Lodge School
Apr - Jun 2009	Media Assistant, The Age of Stupid
Mar - Jun 2009	Campaigns & Communications Intern, Campaign for Better Transport
Oct - Nov 2008	Research Assistant, the Institute of European Environmental Policy.

Education and Qualifications

Jan 2020 - ongoing	Goldsmiths College, University of London - Introduction to Machine Learning with Python (20 hour evening course)
Jan - Mar 2018	IronHack, Barcelona - Web Development Bootcamp ('MEAN' stack)
2013 - 2016	School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London MSc Economics with Environment and Development Graduate Diploma in Economics
2004 - 2008	University of Edinburgh - BSc Hons - Biological Sciences with Genetics