

Maxine Ellah

Web Developer



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About me

I came to web development in January 2016 as a complete beginner. While completing the Enspiral Dev Academy bootcamp, I discovered my love of coding and made it my goal to become the best developer possible. What excites me the most about web development is the possibility of solving complex problems through creativity and connecting with the world around us. As a recent graduate, I want to continue my learning trajectory in a new career and bring my love of people and problem-solving to the role.

WEB DEVELOPMENT EXPERIENCE

Enspiral Dev Academy (EDA)

Web Developer in training

Jan 2016 - Jun 2016

An intensive web development course involving 9 weeks of remote part-time study and 12 weeks of bootcamp style accelerated learning, which focused on:

Functional programming

MVC/MVP

Object Orientated

HTML5, CSS3

Responsive design

TDD

**Unit / integration
testing**

Pair programming

Engineering empathy

Agile development

PROJECTS

Tandem - Ride sharing app to connect travellers around New Zealand

Link: <http://tandem-nz.herokuapp.com>

Git: <https://github.com/Tandem-NZ/tandem>

I pitched this idea to my class mates who chose to develop it as our final, five-day group project. As product owner I ensured every team member felt comfortable working on components which aligned with their learning objectives. I also wrote the search functionality allowing users to search a database of available rides, took on the role of 'Gitmaster' and defined our Gitflow, as well as writing unit and integration tests using the testing modules Tape, Night-watch and Selenium.

Tongue - Language pronunciation app to help new migrants

Link: <http://tongue123.herokuapp.com>

Git: <https://github.com/maxine-ellah/Tongue>

Users can browse through a database of commonly used words and are provided with an image and sound clip which repeats the word. Learners of all ages can practice at their own pace and improve their language skills through repetition.

Bored Banana - Food expiration app to help cut down food wastage

Link: <https://bored-banana.herokuapp.com>

Git: <https://github.com/maxine-ellah/Bored-Banana>

This was the first personal project I made at EDA, and I gained a great deal of confidence in using technologies I had learned, in practice. Building the project gave me a solid understanding of the Express.js server, client-side rendering with Superagent and the Handlebars templating engine.

KEY SKILLS

Collaboration

Working with diverse groups of people is something I love and get satisfaction from seeing things grow from working as part of a team.

Empathy & communication

Understanding and being in tune with the people around me is something I take pride in. It has enabled me to work well with others and form strong connections.

Creativity

The best solutions come from unconventional ideas and I enjoy using my creativity to solve complex problems.

Fast learner

I have a proven ability to grasp challenging concepts fast and thrive in environments where learning is continuous.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Node.js	Express
JavaScript (ES5/ES6)	React.js
HTML5	TypeScript
CSS3	Ruby on Rails
NPM	Heroku deployment
AngularJS	Nightwatch
JQuery	Selenium
SQL	Tape
PostgreSQL	OAuth
Git	Sublime Text
Github	Atom

EDUCATION

Bachelor In Creative Technologies

Dec 2008 – Nov 2011

WelTec

A 3-year degree which focused on the development of technical skills in Design and Visual Arts.

Portfolio: <https://maxine-ellah.github.io/Maxine-Art>

EMPLOYMENT

Space Furniture Group

Warehouse Administrator

Jan 2015 - Sep 2015

Worked as part of a small team to deliver large volumes of furniture across Australia and internationally. Scheduled deliveries with clients to meet strict deadlines and assisted them with detailed information on hundreds of products. Responsible for verifying all financial transactions and reporting the company’s revenue at the end of each month.

Wellington City Council

Executive Assistant & Office Administrator

Sept 2013 - May 2014

Worked closely with the manager of Parks, Sport and Recreation assisting with email and diary management, as well as arranging meetings and appointments. Assisted his direct reports with travel arrangements, online recruitment and event organisation.

New Zealand Transport Agency

Personal Assistant & Technical Assistant

May 2013 – Sept 2013

Assisted the Pavements manager and his team by preparing PowerPoint presentations for weekly meetings, reconciled monthly work expenses and arranged international travel, including accommodation and conference registration. Helped with new website for NZTA manuals including creation of layouts and proof-reading.

Wellington City Council

Public Health Administrator

Mar 2013 – May 2013

Provided support for the whole Public Health department with the distribution of Health & Liquor licences, ensured the daily licence interviews went to schedule, updated the department’s database software and order processing of Public Health resources to other organisations.

Health Promotion Agency

Office Administrator & Program Support

Aug 2012 – Feb 2013

Provided comprehensive administrative support for the HPA Board, Chief Executive, HR manager and office manager. Data entry of invoices, maintained relationships with stakeholders, responded in a timely manner to public information requests and organised conferences and seminars.

REFEREES

Available on request