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SUMMARY

Software Engineer seeking challenging and rewarding opportunities to grow in the field. Experience in remote learning and team project environments. Consistently valuable team asset, eager to over-achieve, additional background in tech support, customer service, music tech/production and hospitality.

EDUCATION

Kenzie Academy | Remote

Full-Stack Web Development Certificate   July 2021
Front-End Web Development Certificate   January 2021

- Outstanding performance in Front-End and Full-Stack certification programs, average grade of 99.9% in front-end curriculum, 100.68% in back-end curriculum
- Trained in learning new concepts/tech/tools quickly
- Gained hands-on experience within remote work environment
- Engaged in continuous self-motivation and self-teaching initiative
- Collaborated on team projects as both team lead and lead engineer for two capstones as part of remote team
- Created, organized and maintained team Scrum boards
- Programmed core and advanced functionalities for major projects, troubleshooting and helping team members accomplish assigned tasks seeing projects through to completion, consistently going above and beyond for the benefit of the team

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- JavaScript
- Python
- HTML5
- CSS
- React
- Redux
- Django

- Node.js
- Bootstrap
- Express
- AJAX
- JSON
- RESTful API's
- Django REST Framework

- NoSQL
- SQL
- PostgreSQL
- SQLite
- Visual Studio Code
- GitHub
- GitLab

DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

BananaDog | Product Owner, Team Lead, Lead Developer   July 2021
Tech stack: Python, Django, HTML, CSS, Poetry, Bootstrap

- Spearheaded development of custom CRM platform for dog trainer's business in team of 3
- Planned project's features, presented ideas through organized and detailed outlines, receiving glowing feedback from team
- Created development roadmap and schedule, delegated tasks, providing clarity for team success

- Led the design and programming of all front-end app functionality and back-end data relationships
- Developed features such as: social media style profiles, photo and video uploads, calendar, scheduling, full profile and report editing, auto-report generation, and private messaging
- Maintained correspondence with team members via detailed daily briefings, collaborated in shared virtual workspaces, keeping team updated and on schedule
- Initiated preparations for checkpoints, created scripts and presentation structure
- Completed capstone well within 2 week deadline
- Selected as a featured project for cohort after surpassing project requirements and course expectations with exemplary app and presentation

Fun Reader | Lead Developer   January 2021
Tech stack: JavaScript, React, Redux, Node.js, Express, HTML, CSS
- Developed spelling game web app, in team of 4
- Reworked product owner's initial concept for team to better execute within deadline
- Delegated team tasks, led with consistent communication, producing a manageable workflow
- Led the design and programming of nearly all front-end app functionality and back-end data relationships
- Successfully leveraged multiple public API's simultaneously for accurate text and audio data for real-time interaction
- Designed game logic and functionality to work with user profiles and API requests, completing project goal within deadline

EXPERIENCE

Contra Studios | New York, NY

Sound Tech/Studio Assistant   June 2015 - Present
- Continued gaining hands-on technical experience, learning to use new tools and techniques quickly and effectively for high-profile productions
- Elevated studio's production capabilities with knowledge of advanced sound equipment and recording techniques
- Successfully performed detail-oriented sound technician duties in a challenging city environment, capturing high-quality audio
- Assisted studio manager with on-the-fly daily tasks, reducing team workload and boosting team morale

Apple Store | New York, NY

Family Room Specialist   November 2009 - April 2012
- Promoted to Family Room Specialist from sales after recommendation and acceptance to flagship location for skills in instruction, communication and technical knowledge
- Effectively researched and swiftly diagnosed and/or repaired mobile devices and specific CPU or software issues brought in by customers in high-volume location
- Garnered repeat customers, delivering personal one-on-one lessons
- Exceeded daily quotas for queue turn-around and positive customer feedback
- Sharpened problem-solving skills and conflict resolution in customer service oriented interactions