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## About

I have spent a lot of my professional life in front-facing roles. Now, I'm bringing my established soft-skills to the tech world. I finished a full-stack developer course and am continuing my training by studying React and other high-demand frameworks/libraries. I'm laser-focused on positive results, and I am looking for full-time, permanent employment here in Korea.

## Project Work

- Workplace Info Webapp** - MERN Stack with Typescript, Chakra UI - [GitHub](#) / [Live Demo](#) Jan. - Feb. 2024
- Completed as a full-stack project for the purpose of organizing, centralizing, and disseminating information in a workplace
  - Designed with full front-to-back security and data verification
  - Fully functional user comment system
  - Administration system for the adding, editing, and removal of database content and users using a rich-text editor
- Seoul Nights: Hongdae** - HTML/CSS, Javascript, AJAX, PHP, SQL - [GitHub](#) Jan. - Feb. 2024
- Night-life themed game featuring narrative and battle elements and interactive game economy
  - Developed as a group using collaborative tools Git and Trello
  - Directed frontend creation, led team meetings, delegated tasks, and participated in round-robin code review
- FlagMatch**- HTML/CSS, Javascript, AJAX - [GitHub](#) / [Live Demo](#) Dec. 2023
- API request and data manipulation exercise resulting in a simple and educational flag matching game
- Tic-Tac-Toe** - HTML/CSS, Javascript - [GitHub](#) / [Live Demo](#) Dec. 2023
- Scalable functional programming exercise featuring full playability and visible gameplay log
- FrogCoin - Responsive CSS Layout Challenge** HTML/CSS - [GitHub](#) / [Live Demo](#) Nov. 2023
- Restrictive front-end challenge (*no scripting*)
  - Responsive and low-overhead design, displaying equivalent UX on both mobile and desktop platforms

## Professional Experience

- International Marketing / Correspondence Specialist** SLZ Inc. (May 2023 - Oct. 2023)
- Led the registration, management, and execution of project exhibition at international conferences
  - Coached, consulted, and led workshops on business English for team members
  - Developed English marketing materials, managed international correspondence and outreach, and drafted official MOU/Pilot Program agreements
- English as a Second Language (ESL) Instructor - Head Native Teacher** Various (2012-2023)
- Presented meetings, mentored teachers, and worked closely with leadership to meet goals and deadlines
  - Optimized office technology and created workplace tools - setting the automatic daily start-up of key network devices, creating flexible and automated grading spreadsheets, and developing a digital SOP guide for new employees
- Lead IT Consultant/Support** Best Buy Geek Squad (2008-2011)
- Managed the technical and business aspects for all clients and assisted upper-management in quality assurance
  - Handled front-facing sales of products and services, diagnostics, on-site repair, department management, scheduling

## Skills

**Programming Languages:** HTML5/CSS3, Javascript ES6, PHP, SQL - studying Python and React  
**Languages:** English (native), Korean (intermediate - with experience in professional/office environments)  
**Notable Software:** Google Workspace, Flex, Adobe Photoshop, Microsoft Office Suite, GitHub, Trello

## Education

- wcoding** - Full-Stack Developer Intensive Course Oct. 2023 - Feb. 2024
- Helsinki** - Python Programming MOOC 2023
- FreeCodeCamp** - Responsive Web Design Certificate Dec. 2022
- Pennsylvania State University** - B.S. Economics 2006-2010