RAFAEL LOPES

Front-end Developer

About Me

Young Portuguese Developer, eager to learn as much as possible in one lifetime

- Becoming a Fullstack Dev
- Hybrid | Remote
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LANGUAGES

- Portuguese C2
- English C1

EXPERTISE

- Modern Front-end Frameworks
- High Fidelity Design Implementation
- API Integration
- Web Performance & Code Quality
- Responsive Web Development

EXPERIENCE

Império Tecnologia
Junior Frontend Developer
May 2021 - Feb 2023

Império Tecnologia is a Brazilian software enterprise that focuses on management solutions for small to medium size businesses.

There i worked remotely for almost 2 years, the first 6 months on an internship and then full-time with a junior role. The main responsibilities included:

- Develop new user-facing features using ReactJS
- Build reusable components and libraries for future use
- Translate designs and wireframes into high- quality code
- Optimize applications for maximum speed and scalability
- Collaborate with other team members to ensure high-quality delivery
- Stay up-to-date with emerging front-end technologies and trends

Upwork
Freelancer Frontend Developer
Feb 2023 - Dec 2023

During my time as a Front-end and UI/UX Developer on Upwork, I concentrated on building user-friendly websites. Working collaboratively with various freelancers, I transformed design concepts into functional code and prioritized improvements in accessibility and SEO for optimal website performance.

This collaborative approach allowed me to contribute effectively to more substantial projects, honing my skills in a team-oriented environment on the Upwork platform.

- Developed teamwork and collaboration skills, using tools like Notion and Jira
- Helped design and develop user-friendly and accessible interfaces with Figma
- Honed many soft skills like communication, responsibility for own schedule and deadlines, resourcefulness, managing priorities, etc.

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FRONTEND SKILLS

- Languages
  - JavaScript
  - TypeScript
  - HTML 5
  - CSS
  - Sass
- Frameworks & Libraries
  - React JS
  - Next JS
  - Node JS
  - Bootstrap
  - Redux
  - React Router
  - Framer Motion
- API Integration
- Figma
- UX/UI Concepts
- Jira / Scrum

BACKEND SKILLS

- Node JS
- Mongo DB
- Express JS
- Next JS

CAREER OBJECTIVES

My career objective is to evolve as a Full-stack Developer, seamlessly integrating Back-end development into my repertoire and to create cutting-edge, user-friendly, and accessible technology for a diverse audience.

I am driven by the desire to make a meaningful impact, ensuring advanced technology remains inclusive and beneficial for all.

Some of my areas of interest include public services, such as healthcare, education or transportation. Although being my top choices, I'm open to other areas like management, analytics, and even the surging Web3 concepts.

EDUCATION

Polytechnic Institute of Tomar
Bachelor of Computer Engineering
Sep 2019 - Jul 2022
While studying in my hometown college, I had the opportunity to be a part of ESN (Erasmus Student Network), where I met lots of exchange students, practicing my english and developing many other soft skills by working in a team.

Udemy & FreeCodeCamp
Udemy and FreeCodeCamp are two platforms filled with resources of almost any area. Here is where I often take courses of specific topics to keep myself updated.
i.e a deeper understanding of React, how to work with figma and learning design concepts

Harvard
CS50: Introduction to Computer Science
Jan 2024 - Ongoing
Embarking on Harvard's CS50 to deepen my understanding of computer science fundamentals and algorithmic problem-solving
Upon completion, I will be able to leverage the acquired skills in software development, debugging, and algorithmic thinking to contribute effectively in diverse technological environments.