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Personal statement

I am a First-Class Honours graduate in Computer Science with Digital Media. Self-motivated, skilled and experienced in the field of front-end web design/development along with video effects and project management. I am currently conducting freelance web-development work for multiple clients, including a filmography Bristol-based company whilst also teaching computing courses to children and young adults.

Employment History

Freelance Front-End Web Designer and Developer, Smokestack Picture House

June 2016 - Present

Achievements and responsibilities:

- Conducting the development process, utilizing the client's needs to establish low-fidelity designs all the way through to implementation.
- Using HTML5 along with CSS3 and JavaScript frameworks (Angular) to create a responsive website that would meet all client needs.
- Adopting the Agile design model to enable ongoing feedback, reducing risk and time consumption.
- Utilising mobile-responsive technologies such as Bootstrap and CSS3 media queries.
- Provided a single page website using page injection into the Document Object Model.

Tutor, FunTech, Multiple Locations (U.K)

July 2013 – September 2016 (During graduate study)

Achievements and responsibilities:

- Identifying and assessing student needs in the delivery of computing courses, ranging from programming through to 3D modelling and design.
- Engaging students of varying abilities and ages (6-24 years) with one-to-one sessions and classes of up to 16 students.
- Private tuition given to a 24 year old university student, studying Computer Science who later went on to get a first in the module I was training him for.
- Currently have a 3 year valid first aid training certificate.

Floor Manager (Sussex Conversations 2015), The Royal Institution of Great Britain, London

April 2015

Floor manager for a live video production of a national election debate by the main U.K political parties. Leading, coordinating and directing 12 members of the production team, M.P speakers and BBC Presenter - Sarah Montague, under the guidance of Sussex University Professors.

Runner/Studio Assistant, Prime Focus (Animation and Visual Effects), London

22nd August – 26th August 2011 (Volunteer)

Assisting computer graphics design and audio effects technicians. This would often include sitting in on client meetings and shadowing on video and audio compilation session for film and the advertising industry.

Rides and Attractions Operator, Legoland, Windsor

May 2012 – September 2013

Education

University of Sussex

(September 2013 – May 2016)

BSc (Hons.) First Class Computing for Digital Media

The Henley College

(September 2010 – June 2012)

A-levels:

- Mathematics B
- English Language B
- Applied ICT B

Key Skills

Team Work, Leadership and Responsibility

- Meeting the aims and learning outcomes of students and ensuring that they fulfil their individual potential.
- Responsibility for managing and directing small production teams, for both a live broadcasted debate and a locally filmed television show.
- Team-orientated projects in "Software Engineering" using the Waterfall design model during my degree.

Communication

Ability and expertise in dealing with people on different levels and mediums. This has been in a leading, client-based, teaching and presenting capacity. The latter, attained in the role of presenting video and radio shows.

IT

- HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, MySQL, Python, XML languages were all featured in my degree.
- Agile and Waterfall project management methods.
- Visual effects and animating software such as Adobe After Effects, 3ds Max and Blender.
- Experience in the use of Windows and IOS operating systems, as well as some mobile platforms.
- Proficient in the use of popular software such as MS Word, PowerPoint and Excel.
- DIDA (Diploma in Digital Applications) at GCSE.

Hobbies & Interests

- Hosted a music/talk show on URF Radio Show. Have also DJ'd at some Brighton local clubs.
- Active holidays and travels, such as rock climbing, coasteering and kayaking.
- Assistant directing and acting in short films. For some I have also created visual effects.

References

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