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| Projects  [**Reach LMS**](https://github.com/Lambda-School-Labs/reach-lms-fe-a)  An online schooling platform to provide fast and efficient service for students and teachers in variable locations.  February 2021  React | Redux | Java | CSS | Ant Design   * Developed new application project from guiding roadmap of desired features * Participated in stakeholder meetings to refine development needs * Worked primarily on front-end development and UI design * Contributed from the planning phase to design, execution, and testing * Reached MVP within given time span of four weeks and extended additional four weeks * Switched to full-stack engineering with fully restful backend through Java Spring and frontend links integrated into React   [**Source Eau Solaire**](http://www.sourceeausolaire.io/)  A marketing and communications site for an environmental initiative instigated by myself and another consultant in the sector.  January - February 2021  React | Redux | EmailJS | CSS   * Designed layout and choose specific features to give the UI a slightly more modern feel * Wrote the content and worked closely to ensure that the other client’s feedback was incorporated into all iterations * Created contact form and incorporated more mobile design features into second iteration   Experience  **Exeedme, Remote, USA**  Crypto Communications Consultant  December 2020 – Present   * Promote education on crypto applications and gaming through research articles * Deliver weekly communications for social media and internal distribution: 10K Twitter followers milestone achieved during this quarter * Build user confidence in new data economy models such as NFTs and tokenized rewards   **Tacit Consulting, Amsterdam, The Netherlands**  Science Research and Communications Consultant  January 2018 – July 2020   * Applied environmental expertise and market research to project development * Developed high level communications deliverables for international audiences * Clients included: The International Water Association, Floriade Expo, Cactus Communications, Rogue Water, Xylem, Inc., etc.   Notable achievements:   * Published whitepaper with IWA culminating four years of research in four months with corresponding social media campaign * Drafted and edited communications for the Floriade Expo in English from Dutch for weekly online communications and four international conferences * Edited 500+ scientific papers to meet international journal requirements for academia * Began developing and maintaining websites in Wordpress for clients via Rogue Water | Skills  **Programming Languages**  JavaScript, Java, Python, HTML, CSS  **Libraries**  React, Redux, Jest, Node.js, SQL, SpringBoot  Education  **Lambda School**  2020-2021  Endorsement Full Stack Web Development  **Vrije Universiteit**  2016-2017  MSc. Environment and Resource Management  Graduate Fellowship with a Masters thesis in coastal flood risk management of the UK/Japan using MATLAB and ArcGIS.  **Tulane University**  2011-2015  BSc. Environmental Science  Dean’s List and Merit Scholarship student with 3-year position as Tulane’s Herbarium digital database manager.  Awards  **Vrije Universiteit Fellowship**  2016  Awarded for outstanding academic aims and achievement.  Languages  English – Fluent  Spanish – Fluent  Dutch – Intermediate |
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