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About Me

During my later years in the banking industry I spent some time working on some IT projects from a user side which piqued my interest in Web Development. After leaving banking I spent nine months travelling and teaching English in South America where I decided that my future was in web development and decided to join General Assembly.

    The course has given me the tools to begin my career as a Developer and to continue to progress my own development within the industry ideally with an exposure to both back-end and front-end and working with a MEAN stack.

Skills

Skill	Rating
jQuery	● ● ●
JavaScript	● ● ● ●
Node.js	● ● ● ●
Ruby	● ● ●
Ruby on Rails	● ● ● ●
HTML / CSS	● ● ●
AngularJS	● ● ●

Professional Experience

Web Development Immersive, General Assembly, London: 09/15 - 12/15
An intensive three month course which covered the following tech: Node.js, JavaScript/jQuery, AngularJS, Ruby on Rails, Ruby, CSS/Sass/SCSS, HTML5, SQL, PostgreSQL, Sinatra, Ajax, Mongo/Mongoose, Heroku, AWS, ActiveRecord and GitHub.

Project Summary

Project 4 – Pub Hop

A mobile first app designed for walking / sightseeing / pub enthusiasts using a MEAN stack with the Google Maps / Places API. Users can search for and create pub crawls/walks in London
Tech: Node.js, Mongoose, AngularJS, Semantic UI

http://siyounguk.github.io/WDI_PROJECT_4/#/

Project 2 - FX:Rigs

A resource for guitarists interested in guitar effects pedals and 'rigs' using Ruby on Rails. A user can post and view information on famous guitarists pedal setups and see info about the pedals.
Tech: Ruby on Rails, jQuery, Nokogiri, Foundation CSS framework, Heroku, Carrierwave

http://afternoon-depths-3396.herokuapp.com/

Project 3 - PetSitters

Group project using Node.js with AJAX which aimed to provide a service for pet owners who want their pets and house to be looked after whilst they are on holiday.
Tech: Node.js, JavaScript, jQuery, Heroku, Semantic UI

https://github.com/amogower/wdi16-group-project

Project 1 - The Rorschach Memory Test

A twist on the classic game of memory for two players using JavaScript. Players match to halves of the same image. Once matched the full image appears under their scoreboard.
Tech: Javascript, jQuery, HTML5, CSS, Heroku

http://floating-badlands-1964.herokuapp.com/

Education

Web Development Immersive, GA, London:
09/15 - 12/15

CELTA TEFL course
09/14 - 10/15

University of West England, Bristol:
2002 - 2005
BA (Hons.) Cultural & Media Studies 2:1

TEFL English Teacher, Edge Elementary, Bogota, Colombia
10/14 - 12/14
During this period I worked for a private company where I visited office workers in Bogota who needed to learn English for their profession. I found this a very beneficial experience in improving my communication skills. The experience enhanced my self-reflection skills greatly in terms of how well I executed my lesson planning.

Senior Loan Operations Administrator, Credit Agricole CIB, London
09/10 - 08/14
This role as well as the other Loans Operations jobs I had in the past required a high level in accuracy as I was administering loan requests for large amounts of money and had to make sure that the proper documentation was in place for the booking of the loans. I also had to communicate the loan requests in a timely and accurate fashion with the Treasury Department who would then borrow or lend money on the Stock Market based on the information I provided. During this role I was able to get an opportunity to work on IT projects from a user perspective, such as helping with the enhancement of the Bank's in-house loans management tool as well as the loan booking program. This gave me an insight into and interest in software development.

More Info

In my role with Credit Agricole, I was given the opportunity to learn Spanish and consolidated this further during my time in South America. I hope to further my language skills. I have a keen interest in visual arts and media, especially film. My degree in Media enabled me to enhance my passion for film and culture to be able to appreciate Media from a critical perspective. I am also a fan of music and enjoy playing guitar. When working as part of a band I enjoy the creative process and evolving a song from the initial idea to its realisation.