PERSONAL PROFILE

I have always been fascinated by technology and it's implications. I spent many years in comfortable yet unfulfilling roles, and after evaluating my career, I realised that it no longer aligned with my ambitions and didn't offer opportunities to grow, progress and ultimately challenge myself. I therefore made the decision to retrain in Software Development.

As well as teaching me the fundamentals of programming, the course also enabled me to reconnect with my desire for learning, and has really inspired me to continually develop myself.

Having since graduated, I am now really excited to become part of such a transformative and ever evolving industry, and build a rewarding career.

EXPERIENCE

- *Alzheimer's Scotland*
  Volunteered for two weeks to assist with the design and development of a new product for a 3rd sector organisation. This involved the use of Amxa Development via AWS and Node.js.

- *Terra Drilling*
  Drillers Assistant ensuring operations ran productively. I was required to enter a fast paced, team oriented and highly pressured role to learn on the job. This cemented in

- *First State Super*
  Client Specialist, responsible for consulting members on pensions and investments

- *Lex Autolease*
  Business Development Manager, tasked with driving new business via small to medium enterprise. Negotiating with people at all levels. Effective communication

- *Vodafone*
  Business to Business Retention Specialist, optimising customer retention and developing new business opportunities

TECH EDUCATION

CodeClan   -   Trainee Software Developer

I recently spent 16 weeks studying an intensive professional Software Development course. I found this extremely rewarding and it really accelerated my learning.   It covered the fundamentals of programming, resulting in exposure to the following:

- **Javascript**
- **Java**
- **Ruby**
- **NodeJS**
- **React**
- **Spring**
- **Vue.js**
- **Sinatra**
- **REST APIs**
- **OOP**
- **MongoDB, SQL**
- **SOLID principles**

ONGOING TRAINING

Following my official training at Codeclan, I have been continuing my learning and have invested in online courses mainly in React. Some of the topics I am covering:

| React | Hooks | React Router | Redux | APIs |
| Object Oriented Programming | Asynchronicity |

I am also in the process of creating personal projects to put these skills into use as I proceed through the modules.

PROJECTS

2D Game | Group Project | **React.js & Java**
Created a 2d card battle game with coding quiz

ISS Tracker | Group Project | **Javascript - Vue.js - API's**
Detailed our own brief to design and create an educational web app which tracks and locates the ISS in real time.

Rental System | Solo | **Ruby - Sinatra - SQL**
Basic web app to keep track of and manage motorcycle rentals

TECH INTERESTS

- **Volunteering** at Europe's largest tech conference Turing Fest
- Attended RBS Financial Inclusion **Hackathon,** contributed ideas and coding within team to create viable solutions to real world problems
- **Hosting** 'Learning to Code' meetup in Edinburgh