VITALI TURKIN

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Driven and adaptable IT graduate with a First-Class BSc (Hons) in Web Design and Development (2025), and practical experience in both front-end and full-stack development using JavaScript, React, and Node.js. I bring a strong foundation in digital technology alongside real-world leadership skills gained through my progression from Store Assistant to Deputy Store Manager at Aldi UK. This experience sharpened my communication, problem-solving, and team coordination abilities in fast-paced, high-pressure environments. To fully focus on my academic growth, I later stepped back from management responsibilities — a decision that enabled me to complete a successful exchange semester at Queensland University of Technology and graduate with academic distinction.

Portfolio: https://vitaliturkin.github.io/vitaliturkin/
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Education

❖ Edinburgh Napier University
  BSc (Hons) Web Design & Development – *July 2025* | Grade: First-Class Honours
  • Exchange Semester: Queensland University of Technology (Australia)

❖ Edinburgh College
  HNC Computing – *June 2021* | Grade: A

Skills Summary

Programming Languages: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript, Python, SQL
Frameworks & Technologies: React, Node.js, Bootstrap, XML, JSON, API Integration
Tools & Platforms: Git, Postman, Figma, Jira, Confluence, Slack, Google Workspace
Problem-Solving: Troubleshooting, Root Cause Analysis, Incident Management (basic ITIL understanding)
Soft Skills: UX/UI Design, Critical Thinking, Agile, Communication, Team Collaboration
Languages: Russian (Native), English (C1 Advanced), Estonian (B2 Upper Intermediate)

Work Experience

Store Assistant – Aldi UK, Edinburgh | December 2023 – Present
  • Assisted customers with purchases, ensuring high satisfaction and operational efficiency
  • Maintained inventory levels and supported sales improvements
  • Resolved customer inquiries and contributed to store targets
Deputy Store Manager – Aldi UK, Edinburgh | Aug 2022 – December 2023

- Led Specialbuys sales and managed customer service operations
- Managed shift operations, team coordination, and customer service excellence
- Worked with internal reports, KPIs, and data-based decision-making
- Took responsibility for daily audits, reconciliation, and safe fund management
- Problem-solved logistical and stock-related issues in high-pressure environments

Projects

MyMoneyTrack – Minimalist Budgeting App for Students | 2025
- Designed and developed a budgeting app using React, Node.js, and Chart.js
- Integrated JWT authentication, custom date filters, and expense/income charts
- Conducted usability testing with student focus groups
- Backend logic includes JSON-based data storage and parsing (relevant to XML structures).
- Designed with real-world use cases in mind and tested through usability feedback.

Technologies used: React, Node.js, Chart.js, Bootstrap, JavaScript, HTML, CSS

VolcanoApp –Volcanic Data Web Application | 2024
- Built using Node.js, Express.js, MongoDB, and a frontend stack including HTML, CSS, JavaScript, and Pug.
- Includes user authentication for personalised experiences and access to datadriven features.
- Designed as a single-page application with clear navigation and data-driven user interface.
- Integrated MongoDB and Express.js for structured data management and retrieval
- Applied RESTful APIs to serve real-time user requests
- Data-driven design with a strong focus on system logic and error handling

Technologies used: Node.js, Express.js, MongoDB, HTML, CSS, JavaScript,

Quiz App – Web-Based Knowledge Game | 2024
- Created a dynamic quiz application with a focus on user interaction in Russian language
- Added multiple-choice questions with timer, score calculation, and local storage of results
- Emphasised responsive design and clear feedback mechanisms for correct/incorrect answers.

Technologies used: JavaScript, HTML, CSS

Learn Estonian Web – Language Learning Tool | 2023
- Created a full-stack language learning application using Python Flask for backend and HTML/CSS/JS for frontend.
- Designed to promote Estonian language and culture, with features for authentication and level-based learning paths.

- Focused on global language learners with an emphasis on accessibility and user engagement.

Technologies used: Python Flask, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

Licenses & Certifications

- Coding Week – Arcade Collection - Boolean | January 2024
- UI and UX Design Course - Codecademy | July 2023
- Scottish Certificate for Personal License Holders at SCQF Level 6 - BIIAB | November 2022
- Level 3 Award in Emergency First Aid at Work (RQF) - Highfield | October 2022
- HNC Computing - Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) | June 2021
- CCNA: Introduction to Networks – Cisco | January 2021
- Professional Higher Diploma in Refrigeration Technology - Tallinn University of Technology | June 2019

Reference

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