

Wil Gerard

Software Engineer | Full-stack Developer | UI/UX Designer

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Self-starter and motivated software developer and designer. Offers a versatile skill set, including full-stack development, and UI/UX design, focusing on creating accessible apps with React. Seeking a role with an inclusive environment that fosters growth as a developer.

EXPERIENCE

Front End Developer | Mentra

5 months | Full-stack Developer | UI/UX Designer

- From customer feedback, our user flow was confusing with inconsistently designed UI elements. Created a design system and lead the implementation to ensure cohesive UX.
- Led application accessibility tests and rebuilt UI components to ensure WCAG compliance.
- Customers were having a hard time navigating the hiring processes on the application. Built out a new feature for users to keep track of assignments. This resulted in positive user feedback about the hiring process flow.

TypeScript | Next.js | Chakra UI | Node.js | GraphQL | SQL | Prisma

View the project: mentra.me

Full-stack Developer | GitConnected

9 months | Project Manager | UI/UX Designer

- Managed development of an open-source monorepo web application called "GitConnected" that helps early-career software engineers quickly build a supportive network.
- Cross-functional team was having trouble keeping track of tasks and progress. Did research on agile methodology and proposed it to the team. Leveraged GitHub projects and issues to triage our workflow. This resulted in better communication, work getting done faster, and helped improve estimates on time to complete work.
- Users wanted a way to follow each other on multiple social media platforms. Built a feature using GitHub, Twitter, and Discord APIs to follow in a single click.

TypeScript | React.js | Tailwind CSS | Node.js | Express.js | MongoDB

View the project: gitconnected.dev

Web Developer | Avenues Recovery

10 months | Frontend Developer | Designer | Copywriter | Photographer

- Client was having difficulty directing and converting user traffic. Lead a full redesign and development, including frontend development, copywriting, photography, graphics, and integrating Google Analytics. Site traffic increased 100% redesign post-launch.

HTML | Sass | JavaScript | Figma | Adobe Creative Suite

LINKS

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SKILLS

Development

HTML | JavaScript | Node.js | TypeScript | React.js | Next.js | GraphQL | Jest

Styling

Sass | Tailwind CSS | styled-components | Chakra UI

Version Control & Collaboration

Git | GitHub | Jira | Slack | Notion

CI/CD & Hosting

Heroku | Netlify

Design

Figma | Adobe Creative Suite

EDUCATION

Minneapolis Community & Technical College

2013

Associate of Applied Science,
Graphic Design

VOLUNTEER

100Devs

Mentor

Currently offer mentorship and tutoring to a Discord community of over 30,000 developers.

EA Mental Health Navigator

Web Developer | Designer

Helped a cross-functional team in establishing a design system and improving site navigation.