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SKILLS

- JavaScript
- PHP
- NodeJS
- React
- Python
- Shopify
- Liquid
- Webflow

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

After half a decade in teaching, I decided to challenge myself and start a career in a long held interest of mine: development. For eighteen months I taught myself how to develop websites, starting with the basics of HTML all the way to full stack sites using React with NodeJS. In January 2023 I started my first role as a Junior Web Developer / Onsite Technician and am now flourishing in the tech sector as a Full Stack Developer for an eCommerce agency in Birmingham.

Of course, I still have the skills and knowledge I gained as a teacher and put them to use everyday - whether it's helping colleagues with projects, using my interpersonal skills with clients, or effectively managing my time while juggling several builds at the same time.

Outside of work I am an avid gamer and spend much of my time reading and often writing fiction. Recently, I joined a local archery club and am looking forward to starting competitions next year.

WORK HISTORY

Full Stack Developer   06/2024 - Current
Cake Agency - Birmingham

- In my current role I manage the development of multiple Shopify websites simultaneously. This can range from small amends to a site with a prebuilt theme, all the way to creating custom themes from the ground up.
- I work with designers to create responsive, mobile ready sites that actively increase the add to cart rate and generate revenue for a wide range of clients that sell everything from the latest fashion to cat patios and even whisky.
- Also as a part of this role I use Webflow to create beautiful sites to generate consumer interest in products and brands, all the while using third party CRM sites such as Mailchimp and Klaviyo to continue a customers journey and increase engagement with strategic marketing campaigns.

Web Developer / Onsite Technician   01/2023 - Current
LiveBuzz - Coventry

- This was my first developer position, where I worked in a tight knit team of around 11 developers to design, create and deploy registration pages for corporate events hosting thousands of visitors.
- I worked productively alongside relationship managers and clients to create bespoke products that fulfil a wide variety of needs.
- While some projects required a team effort, I also worked independently to create sites using Laravel, PHP, JavaScript, HTML and SCSS, and as a team used Git to streamline complex builds.
- In another side of this role, I managed a team of staff to assist visiting customers, maintain a positive relationship with clients, and ensure a smooth registration process at trade events.
- While onsite, my duties also involved building and maintaining Linux servers and a local network with printers, touch screens and scanners and troubleshooting issues.

Supply Teacher   09/2022 - 01/2023
Aspire Education - Warwickshire

- While preparing to leave education for my first role as a developer, I worked for several months as a supply teacher at a dozen schools in the Warwickshire area.
- I worked tirelessly with students and classes to step in when teachers were unable to be in the lesson.
- I developed many skills during my time as a supply teacher as I travelled to numerous school not knowing the children or staff. This in turn further developed my confidence and communication with both colleagues and children from a variety of backgrounds.

Teacher of Mathematics & Computer Science   01/2020 - 09/2022
Ashlawn School - Rugby

- This role entailed all you would expect from a modern secondary school teacher - maintaining behaviour standards, working with students and parents to foster relationships and improve results, and administrative duties to ensure lessons ran smoothly.
- On top of the time management and interpersonal skills needed in a teaching role, I also needed the dedication and discipline to work outside of school hours and always needed to be organised.
- Furthermore, I helped create and run a chess club and maths tutoring as extra-curricular activities.

Teacher of Mathematics   09/2018 - 12/2019
Harris C of E Academy

- I taught children from Year 7 to Year 11 Mathematics while managing to complete the various tasks, observations and activities needed to pass my NQT year.

EDUCATION

Software Development Bootcamp, 12/2022 - 03/2023
Hyperion Dev
To expand my repertoire as a developer, I applied to complete this University of Manchester co-certified Software Development Bootcamp. During the bootcamp, I developed a strong understanding of core Python concepts such as data types, variables, conditionals, loops, functions, and object-oriented programming. I honed my skills in writing clean, efficient, and well-documented code, fostering best practices in software development.

Full Stack Web Development
Self-taught
Over the course of around nine months, I used various online courses to teach myself full stack web development. Before starting I had no experience working with code, and now I am able to use HTML, CSS, JavaScript, React and Node to create full stack web applications. I also learnt how to use MongoDB for NoSQL databases. Learning all of this while balancing a full time job as a teacher was challenging, but through determination, hard work and perseverance I achieved success in my endeavours.

PGCE Secondary Maths, 09/2017 - 09/2018
Bishop Grosseteste University - Lincoln
Passed with Distinction

Bachelor of Arts: Drama, 09/2012 - 09/2015
University of Lincoln - Lincoln
Passed with a 2:1