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Web Developer

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CAREER OBJECTIVE

Currently studying towards a diploma in Web Development & Design at Developers Institute, I have ten months of experience creating client-side interfaces and am now learning server-side. I am curious and open-minded; I love all things coding and being creative while solving problems and putting logic into something visible. Coding can be a rollercoaster at times, but I enjoy the challenge of problem-solving and coming up with creative solutions.

GENERAL SKILLS SUMMARY

Problem Solving

I have good logical thinking skills which I improve every day. When facing a problem, I try to make a broad assessment first and then break it down into smaller pieces. I believe every problem has a solution; I do not give up until I find it and I always analyze available options before choosing the most efficient one.

Resilient Mindset

I do not give up easily when met with difficulties; my focus is always on my development career, and I am determined to become proficient in both backend and frontend by the end of the year. Having this mindset has helped me progress rapidly from the start of my journey when I began studying independently. I am never deterred and will do whatever it takes to overcome a particularly challenging issue.

Clear communication

This skill has been developed through various roles I have previously worked in, especially in my most recent role as a Financial Crime Analyst. Clear communication is essential for communicating with clients, colleagues and stakeholders. This will be an invaluable skill in a developer role, where I expect to be often working closely with other team members on dedicated projects.

Active Listening

My former professional roles and my web development course have shown me the value of active listening when vital information is being relayed. When engaging with customers in my former position, active listening was paramount due to the accuracy required and the sensitive nature of financial crime work. Studying development also requires good listening skills, which I believe will transfer well into a full-time developer role.

EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

Financial Crime Analyst

Commonwealth Bank | 2021 - Present

- Main duties include placing and receiving phone calls, updating CRM systems, dispatching external customer communications and completing financial crime work
- I currently work as a part of a cohesive 15-person team where clear communication and awareness of the changes, which are constantly made to our operating procedures, are highly valuable

Outbound Sales Specialist

2Degrees | 2021 - 2021

- Made 60-80 outbound calls daily for newly introduced internet plan promotion
- I achieved the most outbound calls in a month out of 5 person team

Sales Consultant

Leading Edge NZ | 2020 - 2021

- Jewellery retail supply phone-based consultation
- Gained insight into a major Australian retail industry

Entry Level Sales Representative

Kulture Group | 2020 - 2020

- This role required physical stamina as well as high energy and a resilient positive attitude
- Primary tasks consisted of fundraising for the client, SPCA, via door-to-door cold sales
- Worked as part of a team but engaged clients individually

EDUCATION

Full-time Student

Diploma in Web Development and Design - Developers Institute | 2022 - 2023

- I started off by learning client-side: HTML, CSS, JavaScript and React. Right now I'm in the midst of the second term of the course, where I will be learning about Nodejs, Express, MongoDB, REST APIs and Jest testing.
- The last term will be about Agile Developments and DevOps, where my learning objective is to continually design, develop, test and deploy a modern enterprise-class web application.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

JavaScript

- Before studying full-time at Developers Institute, I spent 4 months studying foundational JavaScript on my own in my free time. Using online resources, I learnt the fundamentals of JavaScript, Jquery, DOM and Ajax. Since July, I have been deepening my understanding of React. Also, I have been exposed to some additional JavaScript libraries/frameworks such as Bootstrap, ChartJS, NodeJS, ExpressJS and NextJS.
- In my free time, I try to study data structures and algothrims to gain a deeper understanding of the inner workings of code and therefore how to better optimize it.

Back-end development

- I am now studying NodeJS, MongoDB, ExpressJS, Jest testing and REST APIs to become a MERN stack developer. After class exercises, I am working on a MERN project independently as I want to gain more familiarity with backend and frontend environments.

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

Tui Meke NZ - Travel Website

- This travel website offers information on Aotearoa tours and allows users to search for attractions, hotels and restaurants anywhere in the world.
- The technologies I used to build this application include React, Nodejs, Express, Mongo Atlas and Axios to fetch APIs. This project also consumes Google Map Services to display attractions, hotels and restaurants at desired locations. My main goal is to apply REST APIs methods so that companies can add new tour offers and users can add or remove tours from their cart.

OverTheSea - Ecommerce Store

- OverTheSea is an E-commerce clothing store specialising in selling sustainable women's clothes. It is a fully functioning application that displays products and allows users to purchase online.
- Technologies that I used to build this application: NextJS, Sanity, Reactjs, JavaScript, Stripe, Context API and Framer Motion. Context API simplifies the props by storing them globally. I chose NextJS because this framework can handle both front-end and back-end configurations, which are needed for React. Also, I used the Sanity.io platform for data storage and content management. NextJS and Sanity work perfectly together without needing NodeJS, express and MongoDB.

INTERESTS

- Coming from a different background, I appreciate diverse cuisine and always miss food from my home country which is Vietnam. So I often enjoy cooking it at home for family and friends.
- I love foraging and identifying edible plants/herbs in the wild. There are wide varieties of edible flora in New Zealand that not a lot of people seem to know about.
- I love working on my personal projects in my free time and combining logic and creativity. I find it extremely satisfying when I have a breakthrough moment and solve a problem I have been working on for hours.

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