Nick Ford

Front End Developer

About

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I am a motivated individual and have a keen interest in front-end development and UX Design. Originally self taught, I commenced my BSc as a mature student and now have 4 years professional experience in software development. With solid understanding of JavaScript, I have worked predominantly on SaaS products including greenfield projects as well as monolithic codebases.

Relevant

Employment

Visma Labs IE / Front End Web Developer

OCT-2019 - PRESENT, DUBLIN, IE

Vue.Js - JavaScript - ES6 - Git - React/ReactNative - Testing Library - Jest

Currently I am part of a product team building a multi-organisational SaaS product for the Norweigen education market. As the front end developer on the core team, I have to be able to manage critical fixes from urgent support tickets as well as organise new feature developments. I have stood in for tech lead and managed our team scrum on numerous occasions. Tech stack is extensively JavaScript ES6, Vue.js and testing ability using the Jest suite. I have worked periodically on a companion app in React Native, as well as a legacy application with React and RxJs.

Spectrum Wellness /

Lead Front End Developer

MAY -2018 - OCT -2019

Vue.Js - JavaScript - ES6 - Git - PHP - MySQL - AWS

Worked extensively with our UX/UI Designer, Head of Product and other remote developers to refine the new platform and manage timelines using Agile methodology. Used Vue as a JavaScript view element to plug into our existing platform from API's. Expanded my existing knowledge with new tools and improved workflows, such as Webpack, Babel, Axios, Bootstrap 4, Chart.js. Extensively used Javascript which has made a large impact in my abilities and as well as independent troubleshooting.

Junior Developer

JULY -2017 - MAY 2018

HTML/CSS - jQuery-PHP - Python - MySQL - AWS

Maintained our Front End views on our product sites, developing API's in PHP. Minor DevOps responsibilities including various automated Python scripting for our reporting tools. Full stack development using L.A.M.P stack with specialisation in jQuery and Yii2 MVC Framework hosted on AWS.

Side Projects

Dublin Event Arts Guide / React - Next.js - Serverless

S.P.A. of all events upcoming in Dublin over 14 days. Cached internal API's, SSR.

JobScraper / Python-MySQL-HTML-JS

Personalised dashboard of parsed job listings and application tracking.

Education

BSc (Ord) Digital Technology and Design (Distinction)

DUBLIN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, IRELAND / SEPT 2016 - SEPT 2017

Modules included Web and Device Programming, Mobile Web Applications & Server Side Web Development,

BArt (Hons) Sociology and Social Policy (2.1)

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS, UK / SEPT 2008 - JUL 2011

Previous Work History

AG Associates Accountants / Freelance Developer

FEB - MAR 2017, CORK, IE

Built an internal application for time-logging and invoicing system. LAMP

Nova Networks / Freelance Developer

JAN 2017, CORK, IE

Revamped existing internal network analytics dashboard Built using Bootstrap.js and Charts.js

Freelance NATIONWIDE/EUROPEAN / MAR 2012 - DEC 2016

Camera Technician

Worked as a technician on many TV Shows and feature films in this fast paced and ever-changing industry with employers including BBC, ITV, AMC Showtime and RTE.

I was responsible for consulting with crews on pre-production to create bespoke rigs for comfort and performance, diagnosing and resolving technical issues within agreed service level timeframes and with minimum disruption to the client. I maintained a workload of cameras, lenses and other accessories to test, predominantly working under pressure with negotiating narrow lead times for client deadlines.

British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) LONDON, UK / SEPT 2014 - JUN 2015

Camera Technician

24-7 Drama LONDON, UK / SEPT 2012 - SEPT 2014

Camera Technician

LLoyds Banking Group MANCHESTER, UK / JAN 2005 - APR 2008

Customer Service Branch Representative

Cashier and customer service representative for a large high street bank.

Responsible for handling of large amounts of cash, balancing of tills cash machines.

I dealt with customers request and servicing their personal banking needs and was the primary "call out" staff member for security breaches during out of work hours.