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Personal Statement

I am a dedicated front-end web developer, passionate about creating responsive, user-friendly interfaces and delivering seamless digital experiences. Having completed the <u>School of Code</u> Full-Stack Development Bootcamp and the UX/UI Career Accelerator at <u>Experience Haus</u>, I possess a solid foundation in coding and user-centred design methodologies. With hands-on experience in Agile environments, I am skilled in React, HTML, CSS, JavaScript and committed to bringing projects to life through creativity and technical excellence. I have completed numerous Linkedin Learning tech courses and attended tech events to additionally support my career transition objectives. When I am away from my desk, I love cooking creative dishes for family and friends which bring together my skills as a chef and my Italian roots.

Skills

- Frontend Development: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, TypeScript
- Frameworks: React, Next.js
- Tools & Libraries: Git, Npm, API integration, AI integration
- UX/UI Design: Figma, Photoshop, Illustrator
- Methodologies: User Research, Personas, Prototyping, Wireframing, User Testing
- Collaboration: Experience in both office-based and remote Agile environments (Scrum and Kanban)

Projects

What's in Your Fridge (2024) — School of Code, one week, Remote (Team of 6)

Developed a web app using AI to suggest recipes based on available ingredients, focusing on creating a user-friendly interface to simplify meal planning.

Technologies: React, CSS, OpenAI

Train Your Dog App (2024) — School of Code, Hackathon, Remote

Built a website to educate users on dog training topics, integrating a chatbot to answer user queries instantly and enhance engagement.

Technologies: React, CSS, OpenAI

Fireplace Palace (2024) — School of Code, Hackathon, Remote (Team of 3)

Developed an app featuring "contact & support" and "user review" as part of the project brief. Applied the Next.js framework and advanced React hooks to manage complex app state.

Technologies: Next.js, React, CSS, OpenAl

League Leaders (2023) — Experience Haus, two weeks, Office-Based (Team of 3)

Contributed to the design of a digital product to engage young people in physical activities through content creation and gamified experiences.

Skills: User Research, Personas, Wireframing, Prototyping, User Testing

Flimpi (2023) — Experience Haus, two weeks, Office-Based (Team of 3)

Collaborated with a start-up offering geospatial features to increase businesses' foot traffic. Designed a gamified digital product that enhanced the user experience by incorporating tasks and rewards throughout the shopping journey.

Skills: User Research, Personas, Wireframing, Prototyping, User Testing, Presentation

Professional experience

Full-Stack Web Development Bootcamp (2024) — School of Code, Remote

This intensive 16-week bootcamp provided hands-on full-stack development experience focusing on JavaScript and React. A solid technical foundation was achieved through roles rotations including frontend, back-end, database engineering, API integration, QA, UX/UI, cybersecurity, DevOps and data/AI. Daily Agile practices and pair/mob programming strengthened teamwork, communication, and adaptability. Weekly hackathons focused on building MVPs, enhancing problem-solving and decision-making skills.

UX & UI Career Development Bootcamp (2023) — Experience Haus, London

This intensive 12-week, office-based bootcamp provided hands-on training in UX/UI design, product strategy and stakeholder management. User centred design skills were gained including user research, empathy mapping, journey mapping, wireframing and user testing. The course emphasized on critical thinking and AI tools to boost productivity. Practical projects reinforced the full design lifecycle, from ideation to testing, aligning user needs to business goals.

Freelance Graphic Designer (2023) — Westminster City Council, London

Contributed to the Green Live Learning Lab by designing and producing digital and print materials focused on green transition education. Developed concept maps and conducted user research to optimise content effectiveness.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Web Development (2022) — SAE Institute, London

This degree course focused on designing and developing interactive web applications using HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Node.js, and SQL. It provided a solid foundation in both front-end and back-end technologies, covering API design, database management, and SQL operations.

Graphic Design Diploma (2020) — WAES, London

Built a strong foundation in graphic design, learning essential digital skills that complement user interface design. Gained expertise in layout principles, colour theory, typography, and optimising digital assets for web use.

Transferable Skills

Leadership & Teamwork

Successfully led kitchen teams in fast-paced environments.

Time Management & Multitasking

Thrived in deadline-driven roles, balancing multiple tasks.

Creativity & Adaptability

Adapted to evolving circumstances while delivering innovative solutions.

Volunteer Experience

Teacher Assistant(2020) — Graphic Design Department, WAES, London

Supported students learning graphic design fundamentals, encouraged collaboration, and embraced constructive feedback. This role strengthened my ability to work with diverse teams and adapt to varied learning styles.