

JAKE DORAN

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PERSONAL PROFILE

I am an enthusiastic Advanced Computer Science Masters student at Keele University and a dynamic person who enjoys working in teams. I have strong communication skills and I am a reliable worker who can self manage, as well as encourage and motivate others as proven through my past work experience.

SKILLS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Technical Skills

I am experienced working with Windows, Linux and Mac OS systems and the command line interfaces of each to varying levels. My degrees specialised in web development and advanced computer science and this has been further developed during my professional career. I am confident in using: HTML, CSS, PHP, SQL, jQuery, javascript, AJAX, CodeIgniter, Git, Foundation, Bulma and Bootstrap. Furthermore, I have a decent understanding of Python and Java, as well as generic knowledge of the javascript module bundler WebPack. I am also aware of API usage and development having worked with and developed APIs during my career.

Languages

Spanish (Basic conversational)

- A1.1 Certification from Instituto Cervantes

Japanese (Limited proficiency) - Lifelong Learning School - Aberystwyth University (2014-16)

Courses

Beginners Sign Language - Aberystwyth University (2014-15)

Achievements

I was part of the team when Hospiscare received the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service in recognition of its outstanding contributions to local communities. Furthermore, I have individually fundraised over £400 for MacMillan Cancer Support by completing an independent coast-to-coast cycle ride and more recently over £800 for the Wedding Wishing Well Foundation by running the Dublin Marathon.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2020 - Now Content Writer, Moneyshake.com

- Contributed to the company's content and SEO strategy, reporting directly to the Head of Content.
- Professional communication through planning sessions, content reviews and appraisals.
- Strong writing skills through the production of accessible SEO-friendly content aimed at a variety of audiences. Content produced in a variety of forms including product descriptions, blog posts, guide content and research articles.
- Proven ability to work individually and remotely while keeping to and exceeding set deadlines and took initiative by proposing article topics and suggesting the implementation and use of new SEO techniques and tools.

2018 - 2020 Junior Developer, Unity5 Ltd, Woodbury

- Contribution to SAAS products predominantly through PHP in a "Full Stack" Developer role. With a technology stack of PHP, HTML, CSS, SASS, Ajax, jQuery, MySQL and Git, in an agile based environment.
- Professional effective communication through daily scrums, sprint reviews, sprint retrospectives, project meetings, project planning, appraisals and client demonstrations.
- Proven ability to work individually and as part of both small and large development teams.
- Aware of the wider picture by pushing for internal system changes, modern coding standards and by taking part in careers fairs and school presentations.
- Influential in the refactoring of legacy code, enforcing a strict MVC approach and implementing the redesign of core features of the system.

2018 PHP Applications Developer, AberForward Graduate Placement, Aberystwyth

- Maintenance of past work, including installing a past student's work to be further developed using the PHP framework Laravel.
- Demonstration of problem solving skills, as the post required me to use a technology I had no past experience with.
- Great use of written and verbal communications through professional use of email and daily stand-up meetings.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2019 – Now Msc Advanced Computer Science - Keele University.

Related Modules: User Interaction Design, Cloud Computing, Collaborative Application Development, Statistical Techniques for Data Analytics, System Design and Programming, Web Technologies and Security.

2013 – 2017 BSc Internet Computing and Systems Administration (2:2) - Aberystwyth University.

Related Modules: Web Development Tools, Web Programming, Group Project, Management Information Systems, Web-Based Major Project, Concepts in Programming, Software Development, Software Development Life Cycle.

2011 – 2013 A Levels: Maths, Computing, History **AS Level:** English Language - Exmouth Community College

2006 – 2011 A Level: General Studies (B) **GCSEs:** 11 at grade A* - B (including Maths and English) - Colyton Grammar School

INTERESTS

Volunteering

Since starting my Duke of Edinburgh Award in 2009, I have been an active volunteer. Aside from volunteering at Hospiscare, I have volunteered for Macmillan Cancer Support since 2011. This experience has provided me with exceptional interaction skills and gave me the opportunity to work as part of a team.

Travelling

I am an open minded, culturally aware person who enjoys learning from new environments. This has and continues to provide me with worldly experience as well as a demonstration of passion, determination and problem solving skills.

REFERENCES

Available on request.