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Introduction

I am currently self-employed as a freelance contractor and am available up to 4 days a week for SharePoint or web projects work. For specific examples of past work and more detail, please visit my website.

Education

The University of Sheffield

Dates: 09/2003 to 09/2004 – Information Systems MSc

Dates: 09/1999 to 06/2002 – Geography BSc, 2:2

Bedford School, Bedford (1990 -1998)

- Geography (A level) – A, Biology (A level) – B, General Studies (AS level) – B, Maths (AS level) – E
- GCSE (1996) 4 A's, 4 B's and 1 C

Employment and Work Experience

05/2010 – present Web Design and Web Services Consultant blubase (self-employed)

- SharePoint 2010 (Office 365 and on premise) and 2007 (working for Core Technologies as a senior consultant and lead designer)
 - design and development using SharePoint Designer and Visual Studio
 - branding and UI design
 - branding packaging and deployment
 - project management and project lead
 - analysis workshops
 - pre-sales
 - training
 - general consultancy
- Example SharePoint Projects can be found on my website but include websites, intranets and extranets for private and public sector clients of varying sizes including:
 - HSBC
 - Tate & Lyle
 - Chester Zoo
 - Genesis Oil and Gas

04/2013 – 09/2013 – SharePoint Consultant at Croydon Council

- Contracting through Cap Gemini as a SharePoint Consultant on a large SharePoint 2010 project for Croydon Council.
- Skills used include
 - PowerShell script development
 - SharePoint Designer customisations
 - InfoPath Forms development and workflows
 - JavaScript development
 - Branding and Design
 - Out of the box customisations
 - C# .NET
 - Testing and documentation

10/2009 to 04/2010 – 6 month round the world trip (visit <http://actravel.co.uk> for more details)

- India – 10 weeks travelling including 2 volunteer placements within local communities
- Singapore – 3 days
- Australia – 3 weeks

- Argentina – 2 weeks
- Chile – 2 weeks
- Bolivia – 1 week
- Peru – 3 weeks including a volunteer placement at an orphanage
- Honduras – 4 weeks on a volunteer placement at an Iguana research station
- North America, New England – 2 weeks

02/2007 to 09/2009 – CBS Outdoor Limited (Formerly Viacom Outdoor Limited)

New Technologies Analyst

- Web projects manager
- Company Intranet developer and administrator
- UK Website Administrator
- MOSS 2007 & WSS 3.0 administrator and developer
- Snowdrop (Sage HR system) administrator

11/2004 to 09/2009 – CBS Outdoor Limited (Formerly Viacom Outdoor Limited)

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10/2002 to 09/2003 - Viacom Outdoor Limited,

IT Support Analyst

- First and Second line support for Viacom Outdoor employees, Lead Helpdesk member.
- Developed company Intranet and currently administrator of Intranet projects.
- Undertake and manage projects assessed on a quarterly basis, involves working to project plans and documenting completed projects.
- Actively involved in interviewing process for new IT recruits.
- Experience included:
 - Microsoft Office 2000 and 2003.
 - Windows Server 2000 and 2003 build and administration.
 - Citrix Metaframe administration.
 - Microsoft Active Directory 2003 and Exchange 2003 administration.
 - MAC OSx administration and support: ACHDS Qualification obtained.
 - Remote support, Image capture and deployment using LANDesk 10.
 - Blackberry Enterprise Server 4 Administration.
 - Microsoft SharePoint Services 2003.
 - File server backup and restore using Veritas backup exec
 - Network cabling and patching.
 - Conference support for presentations and technical issues.

Personal Interest and Achievements

- I am a keen amateur photographer and have provided my services as a portrait, event and wedding photographer.
- I take a keen interest in all sport. Specifically I enjoy playing golf and have represented my county at U-21 level. At university I took active membership in the hockey club where I was 2nd team captain and also sponsorship secretary.
- I have travelled extensively including visits to America, Europe, Africa, Asia and Australasia
- During my gap year between school and my first degree I spent some time coaching hockey and teaching at St.Albans School in Pretoria, South Africa.

Additional Information

- I have held a full clean driving licence since 1997.

Specific Skills

- SharePoint 2010: Design, development, planning, general consultancy
- MOSS 2007
- SharePoint WSS3
- SharePoint Designer
- Office 2003, 2007, 2010
- CSS, HTML, XHTML, PHP, JavaScript

- Adobe Creative Suite (Dreamweaver, Fireworks, Photoshop, Flash)
- Business Analysis and project management
- Working knowledge of relational databases and SQL using MySQL/MSSQL/Oracle.
- French – Basic spoken word.
- Spanish – Basic spoken word.

Personal Referees

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