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Career Profile

I am a motivated Web Software Developer with meticulous attention to detail. My core skills are with PHP, MySQL, JavaScript, Ajax, XML, XHTML, CSS, UX, Linux, Apache, SVN, WordPress. I have a strong desire to continually improve myself, my projects, and the world.

Professional Experience

Hearst Newspapers, Product Technology

2010 - Present

Web Software Developer

- Collaborate with a geographically disturbed team following Agile/Scrum principles
- Develop centralized web content management systems for all Hearst news websites
- Core CMS based on NStein's WCM, heavily customized
- Blog CMS based on WordPress, serves various "niche sites" as well
- Extensive use of Redmine for feature/bug/task tracking/management
- Extensive use of SVN for source control
- Extensive UX work when migrating timesunion.com to core platform
- Multiple environments such as production, staging, and development
- Maintain documentation on internal Wiki site
- Position flexibility corresponding with evolving industry and corporate priorities

Times Union (Albany, NY daily newspaper, Hearst owned)

2007 - 2010

Web Content Developer

- Code specialist on the team maintaining the website timesunion.com
- Quickly turned designs into functional websites
- Built scalable blog platform using WordPress that went on to be used by other sites
- Handled many projects/integrations with third parties and new technology
- Handled most technical matters, including programming in various languages
- Passed along knowledge to colleagues

Unisyn Design / Freelance

2005 - Present

Web Developer

- Interact with clients and deal with contracts
- Provide full site development; specializing in WordPress
- Provide expert CSS assistance; create pure CSS layouts
- Provide PHP and JavaScript support
- Push for Web Standards, Accessibility, Usability, and SEO
- Optimize sites for search, load times, and cross-browser compatibility

Education

SUNY Institute of Technology

Bachelor of Science Degree: May 2006

Major: Professional and Technical Communication

Minor: Computer Science

Technical Skills

PHP, MySQL, JavaScript, Ajax, XML, XHTML, CSS, UX, Linux, Apache, SVN, WordPress, jQuery, MediaWiki, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Flash, SEO, Networking, DNS, Akamai, Solr, Microsoft Excel, Agile/Scrum development, character encoding, and much more!