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Job: Senior Software Engineer

Company: Deloitte Digital UK

My main focus over the last few years has been in front-end development, with a speciality in the React framework. Currently I work within consulting and am exposed to a large variety of different clients within the public sector, doing meaningful and impactful work with positive outcomes.

collaborative

creative

authentic

The skills I use most in my job...react

- next.js
- css
- html
- typescript

The most interesting thing I've worked on in my career so far...Whilst at Sky I worked on internal dashboards for the Monitoring Solutions team. I moved onto the BMJ during the pandemic, which led

me to developing software for medical practitioners. I fell into consulting and have been working within the public sector ever since.

What inspired me into digital and tech... I was very lucky, from a young age I was given a space to explore the Internet and tech, and harness my skills within HTML and CSS. I started looking up page sources on websites to reverse engineer them and this led me to learning HTML/CSS.

My educational background is... I was a hobbyist web dev during my teens; I bought my first domain at 13, it was called "pink-pineapple". I went on to study Computer Science at QMUL. After graduating I was slightly confused as to which path I wanted to take within tech, so I did a short course with Udacity which was funded by Google on Web Development.

What advice I'd give to girls thinking about a career in digital and tech... There is a plethora of information out there, use it to your advantage. Don't be scared about reaching out to others you find inspiring within the industry, particularly women - we've all been there and know how daunting it can be. Above all, be curious and willing to always persevere.