

Larry Zoumas

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About Me

I am an American software developer living and working in Stockholm, Sweden. I have worked mainly in web application development since 1996 in the USA, UK, and Sweden. Typical projects have included CMS, e-learning, e-commerce, and multimedia streaming applications. I consider myself a “full-stack developer”, having professional experience with system integration, server configuration, web services, back-end code, front-end code, version control, web services, technical writing, conversion, SEO, and sales.

I have a positive and cooperative attitude. I work well with stakeholders and other developers. I know the importance of delivering projects on time and within budget. I have experience working independently and on teams. How do I describe myself in one sentence? Larry is passionate about the software development process and eager to engage in new and challenging projects.

Detailed Technical Skills

OS: BSD Unix, Linux, Mac, Windows

Programming: Python, PHP, Perl, Java, Ruby, JavaScript, Bash
Markup: HTML 5, CSS, XML

Databases: MySQL, PostgreSQL, SQL Server

Frameworks: Django, Moodle, Zend, SilverStripe, Drupal, Magento,

Best Practices: Agile, Scrum, Git, MVC, unit testing, acceptance testing

Professional Experience

Work Experience (Stockholm, Sweden)

Xtractor AB

September 2013 to current
Independent Consultant

Position Overview:

Client needed a consultant to guide their transition from a proprietary in-house LMS built in ASP to a new open source Moodle-based LMS running on LAMP (Linux, Apache, MySQL, PHP). I was responsible for setting up Linux cloud servers, git repositories, lead programming, custom web APIs, training other developers, and theming with HTML and CSS. Apart from a technical role, I also did general Moodle consulting including how to set up, configure, and create interactive lessons and activities. Clients of Xtractor include many large Swedish enterprise and government clients.

Technology Used:

Linux, Git, PHP (Moodle), Python (Fabric), Bash, MySQL, Web Services (REST)

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KTH (Royal Institute of Technology)

October 2012 to September 2013

External Consultant through Cybercom Group

Position Overview:

I installed, customized, and integrated Moodle with internal KTH systems to be used as the primary LMS for their students. This included system integration, linux system administration, Python (Django) and PHP (Moodle) programming, writing custom APIs, HTML 5, CSS, and JavaScript.

Technology Used:

Linux, Python, PHP, Django, Moodle, MySQL, Postgres, HTML 5, CSS, Web Services (REST)

Web Guide Partner

January 2008 to August 2012

Independent Consultant, Senior Developer, Architect

Position Overview:

Architect Board: helping to plan company's overall technical strategy

CMS: Silverstripe development on our in-house white-label CMS driving hundreds of gambling domains

CMS: Drupal expertise needed to extend and migrate gambling web applications

Ecommerce: bug-fixed, launched, customized, and extended Magento ecommerce business

Technology Used:

Linux, PHP, Ruby, Bash, JavaScript, MySQL, XML, CSS, Drupal, SilverStripe, Zend, Web Services (REST)

Modern Times Group

September 2006 – January 2008

Independent Consultant

Project Overviews:

Streaming Media: refactored and extended WebTV player

CMS: developed and maintained white-label Joomla CMS plus custom modules for TV websites such as TV3, TV6, TV8, Viasat Sport, etc.

Technology Used:

Linux, PHP, Bash, JavaScript, Web Services, MySQL, Flash, XML, CSS, Windows Media Server

Bwin (Ongame)

March 2006 – September 2006

Independent Consultant

Project Overview:

Client required a consultant to build a pilot gaming presence to beta test new Java casino games. I built web app to spec using existing OO PHP 5 framework, integrating multiple third party applications, setting up and configuring web servers, training other employees how to use the system.

Technology Used:

Linux, PHP, MySQL, Web services, Flash, Java, XML, CSS

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TransLegal AB

September 2005 – March 2006

Independent Consultant

Project Overview:

Client required a consultant to advise and build a multimedia eLearning platform to augment their existing international classroom-based Legal English language instruction. Consultant advised on available technology and implemented a new eLearning system including installation and customization. Also provided web marketing, and SEO consulting.

Technology Used:

Linux, PHP, MySQL, Web Services (XML RPC), Moodle, Amember, XML, CSS, Flash

Work Experience (Seattle, WA)

Panini, Inc

November 2002 – February 2005

Owner, Director of Web Technology

Position Overview:

Was charged with planning and implementing our ecommerce strategy. As a stakeholder I also had sales duties including cold calls and traveling sales visits. Main duties included training and leading web developers, technical writers, multimedia specialists, and salespeople.

Internet Language Company, Inc.

January 1996 – August 2001

Owner, Director of Web Operations

Position Overview:

Worked with Microsoft to implement an ecommerce bookstore for their Encarta website project. Worked with design and implementation of Web domains: Encarta.com, esl.net, multilingualbooks.com, and 101language.com. Duties included online marketing strategy, technical writing, emerging Web technology, cataloging, online sales, shopping cart implementation, workflow, and database structure and design.

Professional Certifications

Microsoft Certified Professional, Seattle, WA, USA. September 2003

Zend Certified Engineer, Stockholm, Sweden. January 2009

Linux Professional Institute, Stockholm, Sweden. July 2009

Oracle Certified Professional, Stockholm, Sweden. October 2012

Higher Education

City University - London, UK

Spring 2001 - Fall 2002

Master of Science (MSc) Degree in Electronic Publishing

Received a distinction on final project (www.english4it.com)

Course Work Completed:

Data Representation and Management

User Interface Design

Multimedia Practices and Principles

Writing and Editing for Electronic Media

Design and Layout for Electronic Media

Information Networks

Media Law

WWW Document Processing and Retrieval

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The Business of Publishing
Project Management
Research Methodology

Seattle University - Seattle, WA, USA

Spring 1995
Post Graduate Diploma, Teaching English as a Second Language

American University of Paris - Paris, France

September 1990 - June 1994
Degree: Bachelor of Arts, European Cultural Studies, with a concentration in Western Philosophy

Extra Curricular Activities

I have served on the Board of Directors for the American Club of Sweden since 2009.

I enjoy tennis, travel, and reading.

References

Please contact me and let me know from which projects or companies you want references for. I will get you a phone number or an email address. I also have some references on my LinkedIn page.