

Olly Cross

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Professional Statement

I am an enthusiastic, creative and dedicated web developer with a positive problem-solving attitude and seven years experience of development in digital agency environments.

I am flexible and capable of quickly adapting to new development languages and techniques, across a full LAMP stack. On the back-end I am happy working in pure OO-PHP, as well as within frameworks such as Laravel, or CMSs such as Wordpress and Drupal 8.

I am also well-versed in front-end development, in using modern build tools such as Webpack and Gulp to produce browser-ready bundled code for use in web applications, using technologies and frameworks such as SASS, Bootstrap, React and jQuery.

After developing bespoke PHP based applications to solve workplace issues I joined agency Specialist as a developer in 2013 to gain commercial experience in a digital agency environment. In 2016 I wanted to find more flexibility in my working life and parted ways with Specialist to offer my services as a contractor through my own limited company. I have since worked for a variety of clients in and around Bristol, both directly and through agencies, to develop both new and existing applications to meet each projects requirements.

I enjoy the problem-solving aspect of programming and am happy exploring an existing code-base to bug-fix or extend exiting functionality, or building greenfield projects from scratch. I have worked on projects of all sizes both as part of a multidisciplinary team and independently to take and application through the full development life-cycle from scoping to delivery.

Key Skills

- Object Oriented PHP
- MySQL / MariaDB
- Javascript (React, jQuery, ES6)
- LAMP / LEMP setup and maintenance
- HTML5 & CSS3 (SASS, Bootstrap)
- CMS Development (Wordpress / Drupal 8)
- Build automation using Webpack / Gulp)
- Version control and deployment using Git

Online

- <https://linkedin.com/in/olly-cross>
- <https://ollyollyolly.com>
- <https://gitlab.com/users/ollycross/projects>

Employment

Contract Web Developer (2016 – Present)

OllyOllyOlly Ltd, Bristol BS6

- Providing contract services to digital creative agencies in the South West, working on projects for clients including the RAC, Zurich Insurance, Brookfield, Peugeot and Specsavers.

Web Developer (2013 - 2016)

Specialist UK, Clifton, Bristol BS8 1SB

- Worked with a variety of clients to provide bespoke web and mobile applications.
- Development and maintenance of applications using PHP, MySQL and Javascript frameworks
- Full setup, deployment and maintenance of Linux server environments including Apache and Nginx.
- Development of bespoke Wordpress plugins and themes
- Advanced analysis and manipulation of large MySQL datasets
- Analytics services both using Google Analytics and Piwik, and well as extensive development of custom Piwik analytics platform
- PHP frameworks including Silex, Codeigniter and Symfony
- JS frameworks including jQuery, Angular, and ReactJS
- Version control and automatic deployment of code using Git

Systems Designer / Project Manager (2012 - 2013)

Consort Services, 1 Durnford St, Bristol BS3 2AW

Service Yard and Permits Coordinator (2009 - 2012)

Customer Services / Security Officer (2008 - 2009)

OCS Ltd., Cabot Circus Shopping Centre, Bristol BS1 3BX

Security Officer / Door Supervisor (2005 - 2008)

Armasec Security, Bristol BS6 9GR

Web Designer / Developer (2004 - 2005)

Bumblebee Design, 5a Nelson Rd, Greenwich, London SE10 9JB

Education

University Of Bristol - BA (hons): 2.1 - Archaeology & Anthropology (*Bristol, 2008*)

John Roan School – A Levels: Eng Lit A; Film Studies – A; Psychology – B, GCSEs: 7 A* - C
GCSEs inc. English, Maths and Science (*London, 2002*)