

Kim Hawthorne



PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior software engineer, Foot Locker March 2017 – current

- Work on multiple sprints teams to build and support a new front-end platform for Foot Locker's multinational brands
- Use React and Typescript to create UIs and components, and Redux to manage application state
- Focus on web accessibility, including focus management for keyboard interactions, ARIA attributes for screen reader announcements and visual considerations such as sufficient contrast
- Build isolated UI elements in Storybook
- Build fully accessible common components, including tabs, accordions, tooltips and dropdowns
- Lead refactoring efforts to address technical debt, including cart, checkout, header, forms, product details page and typeahead search
- Assist in localizing the platform to support multiple languages and locales, following best practices
- Ensure UI functions correctly in mobile devices, screen readers and common browsers
- Review and approve the front-end team's pull requests to ensure quality, consistency and accessibility compliance
- Write unit and component tests using Jest
- Build components that can be managed and configured in Adobe Experience Manager by non-technical teams
- Work closely with UI/UX team to implement new designs aligned to style guides and brand standards
- Participate in all Agile ceremonies

Front-end developer, Grainger December 2014 – March 2017

- Built new features and maintained existing functionality on grainger.com, a large e-commerce website
- Acted as lead front-end developer on a team responsible for improving user experience in searching and selecting products
- Managed front-end development for a major tiered pricing project
- Collaborated with product owners, back-end developers, UX/UI and QA in an agile environment

Associate front-end developer, FCB July 2014 – December 2014

- Coded and tested responsive HTML email for a variety of clients in an agency environment
- Created modular email templates to streamline the development process

TECH LANGUAGES AND LIBRARIES

- JavaScript
- Typescript
- React
- Redux
- HTML
- CSS and preprocessors (Less, Sass)
- Jest functional and unit tests
- Familiarity with webpack and build tools

SOFTWARE

- Git version control
- Bitbucket and Github
- Storybook
- Figma
- Browser developer tools
- Jira
- BrowserStack and VM browser testing
- Safari VoiceOver

SKILLS

- Keyboard and screen reader accessibility
- Agile methodology
- Localization best practices
- Highly collaborative with QA and UI/UX

LANGUAGES

English: native
French: advanced

EDUCATION

M.A. Translation
French to English
Concordia University, Montréal
2021

B.S. Journalism
University of Illinois
2011