Max Hodgess

Software Developer

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Education & Certifications

Master of Information Technology (Software Development) (with Disctinction)

Bachelor of Education

Certificate IV in Accounting

AustSwim Teacher Certification (former)

Bronze Medallions (x2, former)

Advanced First Aid (multiple times)

Skills

Full-Stack Development: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, C#, SQL

AI-Enhanced Software Development & Problem Solving

Stripe Payment Integration & Web Application Design & Full Testing

Program Management (During MCTN)

Accounting & Bookkeeping (Cert IV)

Training & Internal Development (Bachelor of Education)

Critical Care, First Aid & OH&S (Ambulance Officer, AustSwim Teacher)

Resilient Remote Area Work Experience

Software



Profile/Objective

Highly versatile and motivated Full-Stack Developer with a Master of Information Technology (Software Development) (with Distinction), backed by extensive experience in software engineering, accounting, remote operations, and training. With over 15 years of experience in web design and development using HTML, JavaScript, and CSS, I specialise in delivering responsive, datadriven web applications integrated with modern tools such as Stripe, ASP.NET Core, and SQL-based databases.

I also bring strong numeracy, data analysis, and problem-solving skills developed through 5 years of voluntary tax return preparation and SMSF audit support, along with a Certificate IV in Accounting. I actively use AI tools to enhance software development and streamline bulk data interpretation, drawing from a strong command of Excel, MYOB, and other business systems.

My FIFO-style work with the WA Health Department, Navy service, and self-employment history have instilled discipline, adaptability, and experience in remote, high-pressure environments. I seek to contribute technical leadership and communication strengths to a growth-oriented organisation, and I am committed to lifelong learning, including PMI CAPM/PMP certification and supporting internal training and development through my Bachelor of Education background.

Skills & Abilities

- Full-Stack Development: Proficient in HTML, CSS, JavaScript, C#, SQL, and ASP.NET Core; 15+ years in front-end and back-end web design and development.
- **AI-Enhanced Development**: Regularly use artificial intelligence to improve software productivity and debug issues efficiently.
- Data & Financial Analysis: Skilled in reading, comparing, and interpreting numerical data, including spreadsheets, reports, and structured documents.
- Accounting & Audit Support: 5 years of voluntary tax return preparation and SMSF audit support for a qualified Tax Agent and SMSF Auditor.
- **Software Proficiency**: Advanced user of Microsoft Office, MYOB AccountRight & Essentials, Adobe Acrobat, Nuance PaperPort, Tax Assistant Online, and other accounting and business software.
- IT Systems Management: Experience with Windows OS (95 to 11), computer setups, maintenance, software installation, and network troubleshooting.
- **Business Software Setup:** Including MYOB, Xero, Quickbooks, Netsuite, multiple versions of Office Applications & more.
- **Problem Solving**: Excellent ability to detect, rectify, or escalate software, hardware, or process issues in both technical and administrative contexts.
- **Communication**: Strong written, verbal, and phone communication skills, with teaching-level experience in presenting complex mathematical and technical concepts clearly.
- Attention to Detail: Highly detail-oriented, with precise data analysis skills essential for interpreting and validating bulk or sensitive information.
- Training & Instruction: Skilled in creating educational materials and leading internal training, supported by Bachelor of Education qualification.
- Remote Area/Location Readiness: Proven ability to work independently in remote environments under pressure, including WA Health Department fieldwork and Royal Australian Navy service.

Professional Experience

UniSQ Qld (2023 – 2025)

Self-Employed Accountant/Bookkeeper (2018 – 2023)

Taxi Driver (2012-2018)

Car Park Assistant Manager (2008 - 2012) Full-time Student in Master of Information Technology (Software Development) (with Distinction)

- Operated own accounting/bookkeeping business after qualifying with a Certificate IV in Accounting.
- Trained in SMSF Auditing by a Senior Accountant/SMSF Auditor, later contracted to audit SMSFs by same Senior Accountant/SMSF Auditor.
- Gained strong financial analysis, compliance, and reporting expertise.

Black & White Taxis Queensland

Wilson Parking, Cnr Albert and Elizabeth Street Carpark, Brisbane

(2008 Moved back to Queensland)

Health Department of W.A.

Pilbara Region (FIFO-Style) | 5 years

Maintenance Officer | Newman Hospital & Remote Clinics | 5 Years - 2003-2007

- Sole maintenance officer responsible for Newman Hospital and multiple remote health clinics working FIFO-style shifts, travelling regularly to and from remote location clinics all across the Pilbara region.
- Managed repairs, maintenance, and operational readiness in demanding and resource-limited environments building resilience and adaptability through remote travel, rotating shifts, and independent decisionmaking.

Advanced Life Ambulance Service

Western Australia | 4 Years

Ambulance Officer | 4 Years

- Delivered emergency care and patient transport services.
- Gained extensive experience in life-saving, critical care, first aid, and occupational health & safety.

AustSwim Teacher of Swimming & Water Safety

Western Australia | 12 Years

Swimming Instructor and Level 2 Stroke Development Coach

- Teaching swimming at all levels up to Bronze Medallion
- Teachin water safety and rescue techniques to all leveles up to Bronze Medallion

Royal Australian Navy

Various Ships & Bases

Electrician (B-Class Electrical Fitter Mechanic)

- Qualified as an Electrical Watchkeeper, Small Boats Electrician, and Omnipure Sewage System Specialist.
- Served on multiple vessels and bases, gaining discipline, technical expertise, and adaptability in challenging conditions.

SECOND JOBS DURING WORK LIFE

Various part-time after leaving the Navy (1994 to Present)

- Photocopy Shop Namesakes Photocopy Shop, Rockingham, WA
- Laundry Truck Driver Atlas Linen Service, Perth, WA
- Pizza Delivery Driver & Delivery Manager (Dominoes & Pizza Hut)
- Disability Employment Support (support of a Down's Syndrome client by working beside him as a shelf stacker in Woolworths Newman, WA)
- Disability Recreation Support (voluntary support of a Down's Syndrome client at a dance class and teaching one client to swim)
- Commercial Shopping Centre After Hours Contract Mall Cleaner
- Commercial & School Carpet Cleaning, Perth Company closed down

Project Experience

UniSQ MCTN

- Capstone Project: AI Powered Activity Recognition Software.
- Real-world client involving full range of coding plus MongoDB and AWS.
- Multiple web projects see ePortfolio at web address on left.

Future Project Track

- Project management: CAPM (PMI) and later PMP (PMI).
- Further training as required by future employer

Specific Accomplishments

Royal Australian Navy

Qualified as an electrician and then certified as an electrical engine-room watchkeeper, powerhouse watchkeeper, omnipure sewage systems maintainer and small boats electrician. I was awarded a service medal for my service in the Navy as well.

Austswim WA

After qualifying as an Austswim teacher I also attained two Bronze Medallions and worked as a private swim instructor and Level 2 Swimming Coach and Stroke Development Coach for Stingray Swimming Club in Western Australia.

Certificate in Equine Hoof Trimming

Certificate in hoof trimming including hoof care, problem diagnosis and trimming. Used to care for my (& others) Ponies.

Hobbies & Interests

Reading and Writing **Horse Riding** Mini Pony Carriage Driving

Astronomy

Website Design & Development Mini Pony Liberty

Surfing

Horse Breaking and Training

Memberships

RSL Australia - Member #1023335 (Howard District Sub-Branch)

Volunteering

Volunteer Youth Group Leader (...for Grade 4-7 Agegroup)

Coastal Christian Church (1992 – 2003)

Professional References

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