

PRINCE UBONG AKPABIO

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

Experienced Frontend engineer with a strong background in fintech, banking, and ticketing industries, leading high-performing teams to deliver innovative and secure web applications and seeking to leverage technical expertise and leadership skills to drive excellence in frontend development at a dynamic company.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Wakanow, Nigeria, Remote. (*Snr Front-End Engineer*) March 2024–Present

- Collaborated with a global team of developers across three continents in revamping the Wakanow website, driving the development of a responsive and dynamic flight and hotel booking platform that boosted user experience and increased conversion rates by over 28%.
- Worked closely in a two-person team to develop a multi-product booking feature, enabling customers to seamlessly book flights and hotels in a single transaction, significantly enhancing the platform's convenience and usability.
- Championed the implementation of a currency conversion feature, allowing customers to pay in their preferred currency with real-time exchange rates, expanding the platform's global accessibility and improving user satisfaction.
- Partnered closely with product managers and designers to craft and implement intuitive, responsive interfaces, ensuring seamless and engaging navigation throughout the website.

ES SOLO, United Kingdom, Remote. (*Lead Front-End Engineer*) March 2023–March 2024

- Executed and fine-tuned frontend code within web and mobile codebases developed in React, Angular, and Flutter, meticulously adhering to industry-leading standards while consistently conducting thorough code reviews.
- Led efforts to boost the productivity of the front-end engineering team, comprising five engineers, leading to a remarkable 75% improvement in operational efficiency across multiple agile teams/tribes spanning two countries. This achievement was realized through comprehensive education on the efficient utilization of Azure DevOps, Agile Architecture, Jira, and Click-up. Additionally, I conducted regular one-on-one and group meetings to proactively address obstacles hindering team members' progress.
- Successfully delivered an administrative (B2C) application built with React within the allotted time and budget, this ensured we signed new and retained old clients who needed to observe and understand the actions taken by their customers. This reduced technical team interaction with clients and provided a pathway for customers to escalate issues from their cardholder web or mobile apps to our clients
- Pioneered the inception of two mission-critical applications: a Payment Switch and an On-demand Identity Verification system. These applications serve as the central hub for our fintech products, facilitating seamless operations across multiple countries, including Brazil, Georgia, and the United States.

(Front-End Engineer) August 2021 – March 2023

- Designed responsive and user-centric web interfaces for a cardholder application that plays a pivotal role in facilitating the transfer of financial assets across numerous countries. Ensured cross-browser compatibility and optimized performance to enhance the user experience.
- Initiated the creation of a B2C administrative application tailored for fintech clients seeking enhanced insights into the daily activities of their cardholder application users.
- Engaged proactively in Agile development methodologies, encompassing sprint planning, daily stand-up meetings, and retrospectives.

Atup Group, Abuja, Nigeria. (*Full-Stack Engineer*) April 2021– January 2022

- Achieved cost savings exceeding \$47,000 by spearheading the development of cutting-edge desktop dredging management software, implemented across five regional offices in Nigeria. Utilized React.js, Core PHP, and Electron.js in the deployment process.
- Decreased software delivery time by 50% through the creation of a reusable frontend mini-code library designed for data querying, searching, and pagination.

Beetle Taxis Subsidiary

- Collaborated with 4 engineers to revamp the existing ride-sharing software infrastructure with React Native—expected to onboard over 50,000 users in the next 6 months with a 40% increase in business revenue
- Saved \$25,000 in annual ridesharing earnings by developing and implementing a value-added tax framework

WEJAPPA, Nigeria, Remote. *(Software Engineer)* May 2020-Oct 2020

- Guided a team of five developers in constructing a real-time movie-streaming web application akin to Netflix, seamlessly incorporating various APIs, including The Movie Database API (TMDB).
- Learned and incorporated new technologies such as React, Axios, React-Redux, React Hooks API, Netlify hosting, and Firebase.

Doula Application, Ohio, United States, Remote. *(Software Engineering Intern)* March 2020- Feb. 2021

- Developed a single-page web application using React and custom SASS components—Integrated GraphQL APIs to ensure faster querying of data and synchronized UI updates, content creation, and stand-ups, across different time zones—increased user retention by 25%.

Federal Ministry of Petroleum Resources, Abuja, Nigeria. *(Chemical Engineering Intern)* August 2018–July 2019

- Supported the creation of Nigeria's Federal Oil Policy; conducted a detailed analysis of reports from oilfields of Nigerian Oil Companies (NOC) and International Oil Companies (IOC).
- Trained 40+ interns by organizing workshops on Gas flare control, fiscal policy regulation, and effective management of oil resources in Nigeria.
- Ensured the strategic execution and success of the Nigeria International Petroleum Summit (NIPS) held in January 2019—directly impacted over 500 delegates across the country.
- Developed the foremost member's forum website and hosted multiple cost engineering workshops to equip 50+ members with knowledge of the cost engineering industry.
- Organized 5+ capacity-building workshops that equipped 50+ youth members with employability skills and career development skills.

EDUCATION

Rivers State University, Rivers, Nigeria. Sept 2012-Sep 2017 Bachelor of Chemical Engineering(*B.Eng*)

- **Academic standing:** Second Class Honours.
- Distinction in final year thesis which explored the use of a computer-aided packed bed reactor for the isomerization of n-pentane.
- Served as a sub-group rep on 3 occasions—advocated for better educational policies and organized tutorial sessions with lecturers for the 2017 graduating cohort of 120+ students.
- Participated actively in extracurricular tutorial activities geared towards developing expertise in HTML and CSS.

TECHNOLOGIES

- **Technical skills:** TypeScript, JavaScript, Angular, React, React Native, Ionic, Node.js, Express.js, Nestjs, MySQL, MongoDB, HTML, CSS, Azure DevOps, Swagger, GIT, GITHUB, GraphCMS, Heroku, Firebase, Figma, Jest, Cross-browser Compatibility.
- **Remote working tools:** Jira, Click-up, Azure, Slack, Notion, Google Docs, Trello.
- **Soft Skills**—Outstanding Public Speaking Skills, Research Skills, Leadership Skills, Critical Thinking, Teamwork and Negotiation Skills.

CERTIFICATIONS

Consensus Blockchain Developer Online Bootcamp with Certification

Relevant modules: Ethereum Development, Smart Contracts, DeFi and DAOs, Layer 2 or Scalability Solutions, Ethereum 2.0, IPFs, Filecoins, Web3 Javascript Libraries, Javascript for Dappa Development, Hardhat, Scaffold-Eth, Brownie