

# Paul Harrington

Frontend Developer

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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Passionate, detail-oriented Developer with experience in building elegant and engaging websites and applications. Emphasis on frontend languages (HTML, (S)CSS, JavaScript/TypeScript) and frameworks/libraries (Angular, React), combined with a strong grasp of backend programming (Python+Flask), database management systems (PostgreSQL, MongoDB) and command-line essentials (Git, Azure DevOps).

Equally comfortable working independently or within an agile team environment. A tenacious problem-solver and constant learner, I pride myself on delivering a first-rate user experience with every project.

## RECENT PROJECTS (please see GitHub page above for links to project repositories)

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**Perfect Match** Bespoke e-commerce website recently built for a local business. Greenfield project showcasing frontend fundamentals such as prominent CTAs and custom form validation

**React Countries App** Robust and fully-responsive frontend application using functional React components, hooks and Context API, and centred around data from the REST Countries API

**StrikeForce** *"Meaningful data for the Beautiful Game"*: Interactive frontend site leveraging the TransferMarket API to create incisive data visualisations of EPL goal-scoring trends

## EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

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| <b>2021:</b>        | <b>Full Stack Diploma in Software Development at Code Institute</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Europe's only university credit-rated coding bootcamp</li><li>● Course developed in partnership with an Industry Advisory Council comprising key players such as Salesforce, PayPal, Accenture and GlaxoSmithKline</li></ul> |
| <b>2016:</b>        | <b>TEFL Graduate Certificate in Teaching English as a Foreign Language</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● IARC-accredited 150 Hour Master Course</li><li>● Completed September 2016, achieving grade A</li></ul>  |
| <b>2013 - 2015:</b> | <b>Higher Diploma in Psychology at Dublin Business School</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Graduated November 2015 with First-Class Honours</li><li>● QQI Level 8 programme accredited by the Psychological Society of Ireland</li></ul>  |
| <b>2000 - 2005:</b> | <b>Bachelor of Arts (Joint Honours) Degree at University College Dublin</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Graduated October 2005 with First-Class Honours in French and Second-Class Honours (2:1) in Sociology</li><li>● Awarded the 2005 NUI/French Government Medal and NUI Prize for Proficiency in French</li></ul>       |

## RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>Oct 2021 - present:</b>	<b>Frontend Developer at asora</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● An integral member (and the only Irish-based Dev) of a Europe-wide team maintaining and refining systems and architecture across a rapidly scaling codebase for an early-stage fintech startup</li><li>● Working with Angular (TypeScript), Sass (SCSS) and Node.js (npm) to implement user-focused solutions and push code towards production on a daily basis</li><li>● Close coordination with asora's design team, updating platform views to match Figma prototypes</li><li>● Conducting frequent code reviews and incorporating mentor/peer feedback</li><li>● Adherence to version control best practices and use of Azure DevOps CI/CD tools</li></ul>
<b>May 2018 - Oct 2020:</b>	<b>English Tutor with SayABC (Horizon Education HK, Ltd.)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Developed teaching materials to complement standard curriculum, enhancing learning concepts and promoting student engagement</li><li>● Mastered use of TPR, student reward systems and age-appropriate feedback to create a dynamic and immersive learning environment</li><li>● Maintained a consistently strong track record of being renewed, at parents' request, as a SayABC Homeroom Teacher</li></ul>
<b>Nov 2016 - May 2018:</b>	<b>English Teacher/Corporate Trainer with Language Express (LX)/Corporate Training Express (CTX), Bangkok</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Conducted a mix of classroom-based and remote client-tailored lessons, ranging from private tutoring to overseeing groups of more than fifty students</li><li>● Catered to the evolving educational needs of corporate clients including EY Thailand, Hunton &amp; Williams, Swatch Group and the Embassy of New Zealand</li><li>● Awarded the Language Express Teacher Training Certificate of Achievement (Thai Ministry of Education-certified)</li><li>● <a href="#">National Children's Day 2017 Corporate Training Express Ambassador</a></li></ul>
<b>Dec 2016 - Aug 2018:</b>	<b>English Tutor with TOPICA EdTech Group</b>
<b>Feb - Oct 2016:</b>	<b>Facilities Manager/Laboratory Attendant at UCD Medical Bureau of Road Safety</b>
<b>May - Nov 2015:</b>	<b>Psychology Intern with the International Association of Applied Psychology at United Nations Headquarters, New York</b>

## HOBBIES & INTERESTS

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I like to supplement my core web development skills by exploring fresh perspectives and approaches whenever I can. To this end, I've recently learned about the various performance improvements achieved by migrating to Angular 17, and am in the process of pursuing Pluralsight's React 18 learning path towards completion.

I also enjoy following tech trends on social media, as well as "learning through building" by tackling tutorial series and mini-projects from the likes of Frontend Mentor, freeCodeCamp, Wes Bos and Decoded Frontend.

Besides coding, I count travel as one of my main passions. My time spent travelling throughout Asia (China, India and Southeast Asia), as well as living in America (2015) and Thailand (2016-2018), has given me a rich appreciation of a number of different cultures and communication styles.