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Summary

Entry-level Java developer with full stack training in Spring Boot, JPA/Hibernate, and SQL, plus enterprise experience delivering a financial dashboard for American Express. Comfortable across the stack, from REST APIs and relational databases to React and TypeScript interfaces. Works well on Agile teams and is eager to grow as a Java engineer.

Technical Skills

- **Java and Backend:** Java, Spring Boot, Spring MVC, Spring Security, JPA/Hibernate, REST APIs, OOP, data structures, algorithms
- **Data and Cloud:** SQL, MySQL; familiar with GCP, BigQuery, Bigtable, Firestore
- **Testing and Tools:** JUnit, IntelliJ IDEA, Git, Jira, Agile/Scrum, Splunk; familiar with GitHub Actions and CI/CD
- **Frontend:** React.js, TypeScript, JavaScript (ES6+), Next.js, Redux Toolkit, HTML5, CSS3, Tailwind CSS, Bootstrap

Experience

Software Developer (Front-End Focus) — American Express, WONGDOODY, and Infosys, placed via OmegaHires

Contract | Aug 2022 – Feb 2023

- Built features for an enterprise executive dashboard covering compliance, audit, and financial data, using React, TypeScript, and Redux.
- Integrated REST APIs with the UI and partnered with the backend engineer to validate data across tables, forms, and reports.
- Worked in Agile sprints with backend, QA, and product teammates, tracking work in Jira across a seven-month project.
- Resolved JavaScript lint issues to improve reliability and code consistency.

Projects

Full Stack eCommerce Platform — Java, Spring Boot, MySQL (2022)

github.com/Idonotcherishyou/CASESTUDY

- Built a print store web application with Spring Boot, Spring MVC, Spring Security, JPA/Hibernate, JSP, and Bootstrap on a MySQL database.
- Implemented authentication, CRUD workflows, and product and order management with relational persistence.
- Wrote JUnit unit tests and managed source control with Git.

Education and Certificates

- **Bachelor of Business Administration, IT Management** — University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2016–2021
- **Full Stack Java Developer** — TEKsystems Software Engineering Bootcamp, 2022
- **GCP Cloud Engineering** — UpGrad Bootcamp, Oct 2023