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LIFE BEYOND THE BLUEPRINT

HOW SKILLCRUSH GRADUATES BUILD DREAM CAREERS IN TECH

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HUNDREDS of lessons
DOZENS of portfolio projects
10 instructors who know you by name
1 hour a day for 3–9 months

One program to get you to the job you love.
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Hi there,

I founded Skillcrush in 2012 with one mission in mind: to make technology more accessible to people of all genders, races, ages, and social backgrounds— especially those without a computer science degree— and help them gain the skills to improve their careers and lives.

Skillcrush is a bit different from other coding schools. That's because we believe that tech skills don't have to be intimidating, exclusive, or expensive to learn, and that tech benefits like better pay, more flexibility, remote work opportunities, and more job security should be open to anyone with the right skill set. WITH **17,000 STUDENTS** (AND COUNTING!) IN ALL **50 STATES** AND IN **127 COUNTRIES**—from people who work 40 hours a week to people who parent 24/7, from people who don't have a degree in computer science to people who don't have a degree at all— Skillcrush operates on this fundamental truth: Tech is for everyone.

After helping thousands of students learn to code, start making money, and land new jobs with their coding skills, we've definitely seen some patterns among our most successful students. And the good news is that you can totally learn from them too! It's a great honor to be able to introduce you to this group of amazing Skillcrush alums. Each of these people represent the larger Skillcrush community, and the success that each of them enjoys is no accident. (But it's also not magic—believe me, I'm no one's fairy godmother!)

Instead, the better lives they've built are the natural result of following the program and putting the work into their future careers. Skillcrush just makes that work as fun and easy to do as possible.

These alums deserve every last bit of the career success they've achieved. It was completely possible for them, just as I know the career you love is totally within reach. I can't wait to be here to help you do it.

xoxo,

Adda

MARGIE SOUTHWORTH, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"I INCREASED MY SALARY TO 2.5X WHAT IT WAS—AND NOW I WORK FLEX TIME"

MARGIE SOUTHWORTH
WEB DESIGN MANAGER

LOCATION: Fort Collins, CO
PREVIOUS JOB: Elementary school STEM librarian
FUN FACT: Margie launched her second career after her kids launched from home

I recently worked as a STEM librarian in a low-income school, and I finally came to the realization that I'd taught coding for years, but it never really made sense to me. I decided to learn myself with the Skillcrush Break Into Tech Blueprint.

The course format was so awesome, and this way of learning was FINALLY what I needed to learn and apply these skills. When I needed support, it was available in multiple ways that totally fit my schedule and learning style.

Not long after I started learning, I wrote a JavaScript program so my students could find books better. I also pushed an initiative to begin Computer Science principles in kindergarten and helped write a successful grant for using Bee Bots and Osmo with grades K-2.

**BREAK INTO TECH
BLUEPRINT**

⚙ **WEB DESIGNER**

$ **FULL-TIME**

⊘ **FLEXIBILITY**

I landed my first project implementing software for a landscape company, where I billed almost $10 MORE per hour than I made at the school! I also picked up an important summer job teaching game development and MicroBit to kids.

My credibility as an instructional technologist rose greatly—my boss raised my pay and allowed me to bring my dog to work to sweeten the deal—but I wanted to ultimately transition out of education, and I acheived that!

JUST WEEKS AGO, I WAS HIRED FULL-TIME AS A WEB DESIGN MANAGER AT A DIGITAL MARKETING FIRM.

I develop the sites and manage the entire flow of the firm's web design branch. I've more than doubled my salary and now get perks like an additional annual bonus, three weeks vacation, and flex time... all thanks to Skillcrush.

The skills I learned absolutely widened my options, and the Break Into Tech Blueprint definitely gave me the tools I needed to redevelop the next part of my life.

CHI-CHI ROSS, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"I SAW A 108% INCREASE IN MY INCOME"

CHI-CHI ROSS
FREELANCE WORDPRESS DEVELOPER

LOCATION: Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
PREVIOUS JOB: Telemarketer
FUN FACT: Doubled her salary with her new WordPress developer skills!

WORDPRESS DEVELOPER BLUEPRINT

⚙ **WEB DEVELOPER**

🧭 **FREELANCE**

⬤ **FAMILY**

✅ **FLEXIBILITY**

When I became a parent, I knew it made sense to leave the full-time job I loved and find something remote so I wouldn't have to pay for childcare. The only part time remote work I qualified for was as a telemarketer. Telemarketing didn't have opportunities to advance, or to even improve. I also started to see that my time investment—the time spent away from my kids—wasn't worth it when I looked at my paychecks.

I knew I wanted to make a change, but whenever I saw listings for better paying remote jobs they always required specific technical skills, especially WordPress. I'd dabbled in blogging, but I only had a hobbyist knowledge—hardly enough to land any roles. I spent some time Googling "how to learn to code" and found Skillcrush, thinking about it for a while until finally I just enrolled in the Freelance WordPress Developer Blueprint.

WHAT I DIDN'T EXPECT WAS THAT THE DECISION WOULD PAY OFF BEFORE I EVEN FINISHED THE PROGRAM.

I saw positive changes in my career and life fairly immediately. About a few weeks before my Blueprint ended, I got interviewed for a freelance job as a Content Developer/Coordinator for a national organization's WordPress site. And I got the job!

I started the class in September and officially started my new gig in November, about three weeks before the course ended. My whole frustration with remote work had been about wanting a higher return on my time investment, and now I was able to make back the money I'd spent on the course and keep earning significantly more than I'd been able to make before. Once I started working at my new job I more than doubled what I was making—in fact I saw a 108% increase in my income.

The investment paid off in my family life, too. With the new job, I was able to set my hours based on my family's needs. That flexibility is a huge part of why I love being in an IT type of role—it's simply part of tech's culture. It was also a big, positive change to be getting personal enjoyment from work again. The returns on what I'm doing are worth it in terms of financial security and the way it makes me feel. That time away from my kids doesn't come with the same "stuck" feeling that it did before.

My overall options and outlook on my career have changed completely: I'm optimistic about the future. Recruiters now reach out to me regarding web development opportunities, and because tech work is so varied, I'm able to review and respond to offers that fit my specific work requirements. It's liberating to have a skill set that lets me pick the opportunities that fit me, my family, and the future I want.

JESSICA ROWSHANDEL, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"I WAS ACTUALLY ABLE TO CHANGE CAREERS QUICKLY, SUCCESSFULLY, & RELATIVELY INEXPENSIVELY"

JESSICA ROWSHANDEL
WEB DESIGNER

LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA
OFFICIAL JOB TITLE: Software Support Administrator
PREVIOUS JOB: Social Worker
TIME TO HIRE: 2 months!

WEB DESIGNER & FRONT END DEVELOPER BLUEPRINTS

- WEB DESIGNER
- WORKING REMOTE
- FULL-TIME
- FLEXIBILITY

I moved from New York City to Los Angeles in early 2015. When I did that, I also left a very good social work job. I always thought of it as perhaps the best social work job in the city. It was well-funded, quiet, mostly predictable. I wasn't bogged down with paperwork or bureaucracy, and my safety was never in jeopardy.

But when I started working in the social work field in Los Angeles it was nightmare experience after nightmare experience. I will spare you the details. I spent six figures on a fancy social work degree and dedicated almost 15 years of my life to the field and came to a point where I said, "I cannot and will not do this. I refuse to work like this." I am passionate about social justice and social change but promised to find other ways to help people.

One day, I saw a Skillcrush ad on Facebook and decided to look into it further. I researched different programs: free ones, very expensive ones, and Skillcrush, which was not free but not exorbitantly expensive. I decided Skillcrush was right for me because I am the type of learner who needs guidance and support—a real person to talk to and who allows me to ask questions. And so one night I said, "Okay, I'm just going to take the plunge and see what happens." I wasn't sure what I would like—design, coding, etc. But I knew I'd figure it out.

About two months after I started the Front End Developer Blueprint (or maybe less), I applied for a job in tech doing software support that includes some CSS and HTML for client website redesign. Because I could demonstrate interest and skill in coding, I was able to apply for the job, which required that as a baseline. Before I took my Skillcrush Blueprint, I would not have been able to demonstrate this other than daydreams I had about programming robots! So there was a straight line between taking the Skillcrush course and applying and then getting this tech job.

It's amazing to me that I was actually able to change careers quickly, successfully, and relatively inexpensively. The job is remote and the culture of the organization is different than anything I experienced working in the non-profit/social services world. They are supportive and truly team oriented. No one micromanages anyone. They promote learning and professional development, patience, and empathy. They care about our stress levels. And what's particularly important to me is that they make an active effort to be supportive and inclusive—of gender, neurodiversity, and personality.

NATHALIA BAILEY, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"SKILLCRUSH IS A GAME CHANGER"

NATHALIA BAILEY
FREELANCE FRONT END DEVELOPER

LOCATION: Orlando, Florida
PREVIOUS JOB: Customer support for a 401(K) startup
CLAIM TO FAME: Featured in an Orlando Sentinel article about women in tech
SECRET SUPERPOWER: Olympic-level weightlifting (!)

After a Stanford education and landing a customer support role at a Silicon Valley job, I felt really crappy and depressed about my career prospects and felt like I had completely wasted my education. In fact, the day my grandmother died I was demoted at my job with a 25% pay cut for asking for boundaries around when my boss expected me to be available to her.

I decided to learn code like a lot of my classmates did, albeit after graduation, so that I could get a job where I was respected and could make money! I also really wanted a remote job so that I could travel long-term like I had been dreaming of and so that I could train and compete in Olympic-style weightlifting without getting glares from my boss for leaving the office at 5 p.m.

FRONT END DEVELOPER BLUEPRINT

⚙ **WEB DEVELOPER**

▲ **FREELANCE**

📍 **WORKING REMOTE**

✓ **FLEXIBILITY**

I dove into my Front End Developer Blueprint in March and April, during which I was living and traveling in Europe, and I finished up my Responsive Web Development course in June, when I returned home and started freelancing to finally start paying off student debt. Honestly, I didn't even finish the JavaScript course in my Blueprint until November because I was so busy taking on work that didn't need it!

In November, I got a part-time, remote technical customer success contractor position at an awesome email extension startup based out of San Francisco. And then, in between Christmas and New Year's Eve, of all times, I got an "emergency" web development gig, and freelancing has been skyrocketing since! Business is BLOWING up like I couldn't have imagined. I was just doing the math this month, and the surplus I'm in is beyond what I know what to do with the money. (Just kidding; I'm paying down those student loans!)

Skillcrush is a game changer, and I advocate these programs any and every chance I get—not only for the skills I've developed, but for the mentality that the courses, instructors, and community help build up. Skillcrush is empowering women—and everyone, really—to access opportunities in technology.

LIZZIE WILLETT, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"I HAVE THREE MAJOR CLIENTS RIGHT NOW AND AM LINING UP MORE"

LIZZIE WILLETT
FREELANCE DESIGNER AND FRONT END DEVELOPER

LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA
PREVIOUS JOB: Fashion buyer

I had been at my previous job for about three years before I discovered Skillcrush. I felt like I wasn't being challenged and that I'd hit the limits of my learning curve. I felt contained—not only creatively, but also physically—as I sat at my desk from 9–6 every day.

I REALIZED THAT I NEEDED A MORE FLEXIBLE JOB. THE CAREER I WAS IN WASN'T GOING TO LET ME HAVE A HEALTHY LIFE BALANCE.

As I sat there for about 6 months trying to figure out my next move, I finally decided to try the free Skillcrush 10-Day Bootcamp. I loved it so much that I immediately signed up for the Break Into Tech Blueprint.

This program completely changed my outlook. Once I started, I went from coming home from work and watching TV every night to being really excited to come home and do the lessons.

**BREAK INTO TECH
BLUEPRINT**

⚙ **WEB DEVELOPER**

⚙ **WEB DESIGNER**

▲ **FREELANCE**

✓ **FLEXIBILITY**

My first freelance project was redesigning and migrating a WordPress site. I created a pitch deck with lots of illustrations and mockups thanks to my coursework in Visual Design. It was a new challenge for me (particularly the migration), but the alumni Slack channel has been really helpful!

Today I am exclusively freelancing—I have three major clients right now and am lining up more for a couple weeks down the line. I just started development on a new site and I sent another client a testing site on her subdomain.

I always struggle with feeling like I'm not prepared enough to do this, but the Skillcrush community constantly reminds me of how far I've come. I can always use my resources if there's something I don't know.

If it weren't for Skillcrush, I don't know if I even would have thought of tech. Other programs were so expensive and less welcoming. Today, as a designer and developer, every day brings new challenges. I'm so excited to be where I am and I'm so grateful to Skillcrush for making this possible.

ERIN ROBERTSON, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

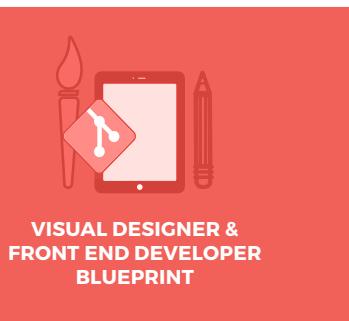# "I WROTE MY FIRST PROPOSAL FOR $1500..."

ERIN ROBERTSON
WEB DESIGNER

LOCATION: New York, NY
NEW JOB TITLE: Head of marketing for an interior design firm
PREVIOUS JOBS: Financial aid officer, retail manager, personal assistant
SKILLCRUSH PUNCH CARD: Took the Visual Designer Blueprint and the Front End Developer Blueprint

**VISUAL DESIGNER &
FRONT END DEVELOPER
BLUEPRINT**

⚙ **VISUAL DESIGNER**

⚑ **FREELANCE**

🕐 **FULL-TIME**

I feel like I was asleep for so much of my career, not knowing where to go next. When I signed up for Skillcrush I thought, *Wow, there are so many great perks that come along with this course like lifetime access, TA help, peer resources, and master classes*...but I never knew I would find a community of incredibly open, helpful, and talented people!

When I signed up for my first Skillcrush Blueprint, my life was certainly busier than ever before. But it was this challenge—the daily coursework, then projects, and ultimately a portfolio and job search—that helped me truly grasp the importance of setting goals, being intentional, and letting go of the fear of failure. I finally woke up and put myself on a path to a fulfilling job and career.

My first freelance job was part of an overall brand refinement for a small but profitable family business in Florida. The owner reached out to me for freelance work to help tighten up his branding and create an overall more cohesive identity system for his company which is gaining visibility in his market. I was terrified but I wrote a proposal for $1500... and I got it!

A second project came along not long after. It couldn't have happened at a better time, though, because not long after I was laid off from my job and for the first time in my life found myself unemployed. But thanks to the Visual Design Blueprint I was able to brush up on and learn more of the skills I needed to land a more creative full-time marketing job!

I'm putting to use the skills I learned, and it was because of Skillcrush I got that job! I couldn't be happier.

EMILY MARTENS, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"SKILLCRUSH HAS PAID OFF IN WAYS I NEVER COULD HAVE IMAGINED"

EMILY MARTENS
WEB DEVELOPER

LOCATION: Los Angeles, CA
FIRST CODING PAYCHECK: Paid off her car note!
SECRET SUPERPOWER: Working remotely AND parenting a toddler

I was actually working in marketing before I started my Skillcrush Blueprint and I was not paid very well. I had been thinking about trying to learn how to code, and finally my fiance told me, "Well, listen: If you want to learn how to code stop talking about it and just go do it!" We had just moved across the country and I still had the remnants of a remote job but it was only 10 hours a week. It was scary. Sometimes when you get scared enough you get over your fears fast. Confidence becomes less of a necessity for me if I can't eat or pay the bills! At some point you don't have the luxury of feeling scared about it anymore. You just have to do it.

I did a lot of research before I chose Skillcrush. Not only do you get the value of having all of your learning in one place instead of having to search the web for this piece and that piece, but you also have a very valuable community that comes with it while you're learning and after you're learning. I had support literally every step of the way.

**FRONT END DEVELOPER &
FREELANCE WORDPRESS
DEVELOPER BLUEPRINT**

⚙ **WEB DEVELOPER**

⚓ **FREELANCE**

✓ **FLEXIBILITY**

⬤ **FAMILY**

🕐 **FULL-TIME**

I took the Front End Developer Blueprint and then enrolled in the WordPress Developer Blueprint to get more confidence before I started pitching. But I learned right away that I hadn't needed to wait that long: Within a month of starting, I landed my first client. I made back the money that it cost to take the Blueprint AND paid my car note with that first job! Since then, I've contracted full-time for a digital marketing agency in Los Angeles, and I've gotten to do all of this from home while taking care of my toddler.

I started a new full-time remote job last month as a company's Content Manager and am responsible for all graphic design, email design/coding/execution, copywriting, and front end projects. I've had to use every single Skillcrush skill I've learned. I came onboard in the middle of a massive rebrand, so the first task was getting a new website built. I was just supposed to design the website, but they lost their programmer just as I turned in the home page design. I was able to step in and turn over the completed HTML/CSS and JavaScript for the entire site on the due date (and ahead of the backend sales team). Since the site went live, I've been building out multiple events pages while creating all of their image assets for partner onboarding and marketing.

Skillcrush has paid off in ways I never could have imagined. I think the sooner you get started, the sooner you'll be able to look back and say "Wow, I've learned so much!" It's just an amazing, exciting journey.

ASHLEY KAPLAN, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"I'LL BE TOTALLY FULL-TIME FREELANCE WITHIN TWO YEARS"

ASHLEY KAPLAN
FREELANCE WORDPRESS DEVELOPER

LOCATION: Little Rock, AR
CURRENT JOB: Compliance officer
PLAN FOR WORLD DOMINATION: Replace her AND her husband's incomes with a fully remote career

**BREAK INTO TECH
BLUEPRINT**

⚙ **WEB DEVELOPER**

$ **SIDE HUSTLE**

▲ **FREELANCE**

✓ **FLEXIBILITY**

I have worked for a local title company for 8 years. I'm officially a compliance officer, but I've also been doing some human resources and have sort of evolved into the office "go-to person." But in every role I've had, I've always been really into problem solving, and using computers to do that problem solving. At the same time, my husband has a construction business here in Little Rock but that job isn't really conducive to moving, even though we're not wanting to stay here indefinitely.

I FINALLY DECIDED THAT SOMETHING HAD TO GIVE. IT WAS TIME TO PURSUE SOMETHING THAT I REALLY ENJOYED AND THAT I COULD DO FROM ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD.

I discovered Skillcrush and, after taking the 10-Day Bootcamp, decided to sign up for the Break Into Tech Blueprint!

I opted to take the Web Developer and WordPress tracks in the program, and after finishing those and meeting with a career counselor, I felt like I got the answers, tools, and confidence I needed. I felt like I had what I needed to be a "legit" web developer (though to be honest I waited a little bit longer than I needed to!).

One of my first clients I landed when I interviewed for a full-time web dev position with their company! They asked me first to do one freelance project to see how it went, and that project paid for my enrollment fee, PLUS a new laptop, PLUS a new desktop, and even a couple of other things. I'll be getting their design this week to get rolling ahead with that, and in the meantime I've helped some friends redesign and customize their WordPress sites.

I'm currently working on taking my Skillcrush courses in freelancing (I've been so busy I haven't finished them yet) and expanding my LinkedIn networking. I'm starting to see this as an opportunity to replace BOTH my and my husband's incomes so that in a few years we can live and work anywhere we choose. My goal is to get eight more clients by the end of the year and be completely full-time freelance within two years. At the rate things are going, I don't think that's going to be a problem.

"THE GREATEST LESSON I'VE LEARNED IS THAT YOU CAN ASK FOR WHAT YOU WANT"

SARAH CHARROUF
WEB DESIGNER & DEVELOPER

LOCATION: Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
PREVIOUS JOBS: Philosophy grad student and food service manager

FRONT END DEVELOPER, VISUAL DESIGNER & FREELANCE WORDPRESS DEVELOPER BLUEPRINT

⚙ **WEB DESIGNER**

⚙ **WEB DEVELOPER**

🧭 **FREELANCE**

🕐 **FULL-TIME**

A couple years ago, I was pursuing a master's degree in philosophy and wanted to learn to code mostly for fun—I love language and I'm obsessed with it, but I'm also a writer and I wanted to learn the language of the future, so to speak. I started learning how to code and then when I found Skillcrush I was just like, enamored by it. I started freelancing, and then when it started bringing in good money and allowing me to do work that I loved, I left school and never looked back.

Skillcrush changed my life...it's amazing. I'm very visually inclined and part of the appeal was that I loved doing it, it was fun, and it was beautiful. The websites we were making were nice to look at, the platform itself is nice to look at and easy to use, and the projects that you get are so real that it was helpful for learning how to do this in the real world.

**SKILLCRUSH WAS THE ONLY PROGRAM THAT I
PAID FOR AND IT'S ALL I NEEDED.**

I ended up announcing my services on Facebook, like
"Hey! I'm learning this if anybody wants something!"
and right away I ended up building a website for
a friend of mine. I didn't charge very much at all—
maybe $400—but I made her website and worked
with her really closely and got a lot of really helpful
feedback along the way. From there, I kept taking
more and more clients and adding work to my
portfolio until I was running my own freelance
design and development business full-time. I was
recently hired to be a full-time project manager for
a Vancouver-based startup and a remote project
manager for a New York development agency a few
hours a week too. The greatest lesson I've learned is
that you can ask for what you want.

I look back on a year or two ago and it's just amazing
how much everything has changed since then. You
can do it too! As long as you're dedicated to your
work, there is such a need for people in all areas
of tech. I didn't know that this is where I'd end up. I
dreamt of it and thought that it seemed really cool…
and now I have it! It's an incredible feeling. And you
keep growing, no matter what.

LATASHA HUSSEY, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"I LEARNED HOW TO FIND CLIENTS WILLING TO PAY WHAT I AM WORTH"

LATASHA HUSSEY
WEB DEVELOPER

LOCATION: Austin, TX
PREVIOUS JOBS: Adjunct college instructor, small business owner
FIRST CLIENT: Her husband!
SKILLCRUSH PUNCH CARD: Took the Visual Designer Blueprint, Front End Developer Blueprint, and the Freelance WordPress Developer Blueprint

I had a home-based business in my twenties (not related to web development), and although I provided excellent services, I was a terrible business owner. I was afraid to charge more, thinking it would scare clients away, and I practically gave my work away for free.

Skillcrush changed all that. Not only did I learn some marketable WordPress skills, I learned how important it was to price to value and find clients who are willing to pay what I am worth because I deserve it.

FRONT END DEVELOPER, VISUAL DESIGNER & FREELANCE WORDPRESS DEVELOPER BLUEPRINT

⚙ **WEB DEVELOPER**

⚐ **FREELANCE**

🕐 **FULL-TIME**

$ **SIDE HUSTLE**

During my Blueprints, I customized an existing WordPress theme using HTML and CSS and had to use Photoshop to optimize images. My husband was my first client then I reached out to friends. My best friend needed help migrating content to WordPress. I charged my husband a dinner date (no freebies!), and I made roughly $200 on the site migration. It felt great to be able to make money off my skills.

Soon another friend required help transferring a domain and things kind of went up from there.

I work full-time now as a Learning Management Systems Analyst, and because I am not advertising specific services on my website right now, the work I get comes word of mouth (someone heard through the grapevine that I do XYZ and needs my help). I only take small projects on the side because I can do them quickly and still have time to relax.

We all feel like imposters at times, but I've learned that that feeling is what keeps us humble, so own it! I am so lucky to have surrounded myself with people who support my growth and encourage me to keep going—especially my fellow Skillcrush alumni!

ANTONIA CRONIN, SKILLCRUSH ALUM

"MY DREAM HAS LITERALLY COME TRUE"

ANTONIA CRONIN
WEB DEVELOPER

LOCATION: London, United Kingdom
BIGGEST CHALLENGE: Imposter syndrome

I learned tech skills through a mixture of an e-commerce diploma, which I rarely used, and on-the-job learning when I worked in a travel agency and helped build a website. I left work to have my child, feeling like I was floundering as a developer in a world of younger, smarter people. I knew I could do the job, but was lacking in confidence and feeling like an imposter.

THEN, SIX YEARS AFTER HAVING MY FIRST CHILD, AGED 43, I GOT BACK INTO WEB DEVELOPMENT.

I signed up for the free Skillcrush 10-Day Bootcamp and the most inspirational newsletters I've ever received. They really helped me to believe I could become a developer again, having written myself off. After this, I embarked on a more advanced web development/Rails course (the Skillcrush course, while seriously tempting, was aimed at beginners and I had some coding skills).

**FREELANCE WORDPRESS
DEVELOPER BLUEPRINT**

⚙ **WEB DEVELOPER**

✦ **FREELANCE**

✓ **FLEXIBILITY**

⬡ **PARENTING**

Finally, I happily signed up for the WordPress Developer Blueprint with Skillcrush. The WordPress class cemented my abilities as a freelance web developer, flooded my system with invaluable career advice, and, perhaps most importantly of all, was hugely responsible for helping me to build up the confidence to believe in myself as a developer again and to network successfully.

Some years ago, I was traveling down the escalator in the London Underground and I saw an advert: "Learn computer skills." I had a vision of sitting at a desk in my home, working flexible hours, children running around me, earning a decent wage and dictating my own hours. This may not be everyone's idea of their future career—but my dream has literally come true and is really working.

Now that I have tech skills I do work flexible hours from home as a freelancer, plus I also recently landed my first "proper" job in seven years as a junior web developer, which also allows me to work from home for most of the week.

JOB TITLES HELD BY SKILLCRUSH ALUMNI:

Google UX Research Assistant
Junior Web Developer
Associate Salesforce Administrator
Digital Marketing Specialist
Lead Visual Designer
HTML Email Developer
Front End Developer
Ruby on Rails Developer
Content Strategist
Project Manager
Front End Engineer
Independent Consultant
Technology Instructor
WordPress Developer
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