

# Stephen Diamond

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## CAREERS PROFILE

Multimedia graduate eager to further skills and knowledge gained from education and employment with regards to multimedia and new media (in particular web design/development). Aims to leave a lasting impression on whatever task is set, while fully utilising technical abilities and knowledge. Awareness and understanding of industry specific software and able to apply these skills to new ideas and technology. Confident of ability to communicate ideas and opinions to others. Current aim is to secure a position within the creative industry to continually develop and enhance personal skill set at a professional level.

## SKILLS

### Technical

Language / Software	Level of knowledge
XHTML (Hand Coded)	Excellent
CSS (Hand Coded)	Excellent
Adobe Flash / Actionscript	Proficient
PHP	Proficient
Adobe Photoshop	Proficient
Director / Lingo	Proficient
Javascript	Developing
User Interface Design / Accessibility	Developing
Analytic Software (E.g. Google Analytics)	Developing

- *Problem solving* – Applied various methods of interpretation to final projects but also found different ways of personally overcoming problems that may be technically challenging (e.g. code/application related). Essentially remain committed to seeing the problem is overcome and the deadline met.
- *Creativity* – possess a developing eye for aesthetics in terms of design and layout. Keen to take briefs/ideas and adopt them to new teachings and/or technologies.

### Transferable

- *Teamwork* – worked as part of team to complete an assignment at university. Co-ordinated tasks to ensure deadlines were met but also worked closely with colleagues to understand their level of capability in order to piece together their work into a final project.
- *Time Management* – experienced at planning and handling a number of projects and tasks at education and work level.
- *Communication Skills* – able to communicate ideas and work to a wide audience confidently after previous work experiences and modules at higher education.
- *Interpersonal skills* – co-operated with general public on various occasions at work and considered approachable and good at listening.
- *Commercial awareness* – able to adhere to company targets and tight deadlines. Also able

- to adapt to customers' needs and requirements for the benefit of the business/project.
- *Flexibility* – Previous work and education has given flexibility into work ethic, either through work availability or applying various software/knowledge to a certain project to achieve an end result.
- Full, clean UK driving license

## EDUCATION

2007 – Present **Swansea Institute of Higher Education (University of Wales)**  
*MSc E-commerce (Part-time Tues/Thurs Evenings)*

Relevant modules include: Web Design and Usability, Internetworking and Security.

2004 – 2007 **Swansea Institute of Higher Education (University of Wales)**  
*BSc (Hons) Multimedia – Classification 2:1*

Degree aimed mainly at the technical side of multimedia, therefore coding specific.

Relevant modules include: Advanced Web Authoring and E-commerce, Contextual Studies, Authoring and AV Acquisition and Manipulation, World Wide Web Technology and Major Project (<http://www.slightintention.co.uk/>).

1997 – 2004 **Bishop Gore Comprehensive School, Swansea**

A-Level: - Computer Science, Economics and Ancient History (C,D,D)

8 GCSEs: - A-C including English Language and Mathematics  
 Completed RSA Word Processing

## Employment

July 06 – Present **Swansea Timber & Plywood, Swansea**

### Web Developer

Completed a 3 month placement through the Graduate Opportunity Wales (GO Wales) initiative which enabled utilisation of graduate skills in a professional workplace.

Constructed the Swansea Timber website (<http://www.swanseatimber.co.uk/>) using XHTML / CSS and also undertook other web related tasks such as taking product photographs for the sister website (<http://www.lock-tech.co.uk/>).

Offered a part-time position after the placement ended to carry on IT related tasks and maintain website, provide input and work with others to design/create off-line media.

October 06 – Present **Vue Entertainment, Swansea**

### Guest Assistant

Interacting with customers to provide a friendly customer service and ensuring catering to customers' requirements. Numeracy skills used during handling of cash transactions. Working in a team based environment to meet goals and targets whilst using product knowledge to promote service to customers.

## Achievements

### City & Guilds Level 4 Professional Development Award.

Successfully completed City & Guilds award that aimed to improve the implementation of degree skills in the work environment and build upon personal self-management/organisation. The award was undertaken and completed during my time at Swansea Timber & Plywood.

**Portfolio** Available on-line at <http://www.stevediamond.co.uk/projects.html>

**References** Available on request