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## How to Get your First Developer Job

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In this guide, you will learn the things you need to do to land your first job as a developer.

... These steps work with any type of coding / programmer job.

If you have any questions, you can put them to me on a YouTube livestream, or if you are member of my mentoring group, in a zoom meeting or in the forums.

You are guaranteed an answer if you are in the mentoring group ... naturally!



- 1. Do my Foundations courses on Studioweb.
- 2. Do the 5 Studioweb certifications exams. Starts to build credibility in your skills as a coder/programmer.
- 3. Create a personal / resume website.

- 4. Create a LinkedIn profile. Reach out to potential good contacts. Follow the etiquette.
- 5. Keep your personal interest on your website (and linkedIn) to a minimum: most prospective employers don't care about your weekend hobbies.
- 6. Do 2-3 free freelance jobs. My <u>Freelance course</u> makes that easy to do.
  - Being able to show you can work on REAL projects with REAL people, is very powerful. Prospective employers will really appreciate that.
- 7. Research the company you want to work for. Figure out what tech they use, learn everything you can about their business model. Know their competitors. If you show you are interested in them, they will have interest in you. Reach out internships at target companies.
- 8. Adjust you site to align with your target employer. Emphasize skills they are interested in.
- 9. If you get rejected, it's no big deal. But ask WHY they went with someone else. Listen and learn to refine how you find jobs.
- 10. Repeat steps 7-9 until you are successful.

Don't give up!

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