

# Mahmoud Awad

Ph.D, Eng, Bsc

## Software Engineer

UI Developer (React)

Full Stack Web Developer

Games Developer

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Marital status: Married

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## Summary

A strong conceptual thinker who has a keen interest in all things related to the Internet, has the ability and experience needed to design and execute complex software projects for a diverse variety of users. Has a good understanding of programming languages, continually evaluating and upgrading his skills so that he stays at the cutting edge of web development, can come up with plenty of innovative ideas and possesses superb communication skills. currently, he is looking for a suitable position with a company that offers a unique work environment within which its staff can thrive and grow.

Why should you hire me?

✓ React.JS ✓ Redux ✓ Styled Components ✓ Node.JS ✓ MongoDB ✓ MySQL ✓ GIT ✓ JavaScript (ES5 & ES6) ✓ RESTful APIs ✓ Bootstrap ✓ Unit Testing (Jest + Enzyme) ✓ Integration Testing (Cypress) ✓ Webpack ✓ TypeScript ✓ Haxe ✓ OpenFL ✓ Unity3D ✓ 5+ years' experience as web & games developer ✓ Agile methodologies ✓ User Experience (UX) ✓ SEO ✓ Writing clean & documented code ✓ Code Review ✓ Good communication skills ✓ Paying attention to details ✓ Teamwork ✓ Teamwork ✓ Teamwork ✓ Teamwork ✓ Teamwork ✓ Teamwork

Please visit my Portfolio at: <https://awad.talaween.net>

## Work Experience

### Software Engineer



Mosaic Smart Data

Full-time: May 2021 – present (5 months) • London, United Kingdom

### Duties:

- Develop Software using modern web technologies (React, Redux, TypeScript, Jest, Enzyme, and Cypress) according to the planned UX designs and the set specifications to meet the corporate vision.
- Investigating, diagnosing, and correcting system issues.
- Testing software in controlled, real situations before it goes live.
- Resolving technical issues faced by other team members.
- Writing and executing tests using Jest, Enzyme, Cypress and cucumber for subsystems and components.
- Gathering & analysing information about stories, sub-tasks, bugs, system usage and implemented features.
- Working alongside wider operational teams including UX designers, backend developers, system analysts, and product owners to achieve set goals.
- Documenting all work in accordance with agreed standards.
- Participating in daily scrum meetings.
- Reviewing code and code pairing with other team members when necessary
- Improve workflow by bringing new technologies and applying them to increase productivity and reduce development time.

### Core Skills:

- Web Full Stack Development
- User Experience (UX) and Interaction Design
- Games Design & Development

### Programming Languages

- JavaScript
- HTML5 & CSS3
- React.JS
- Redux
- Node.JS
- TypeScript
- Koa.JS & Express.JS
- JEST Unit Testing
- Cypress BDT
- Bootstrap
- Material UI
- Ant-Design
- jQuery
- Unity 3D Engine
- C#
- Haxe/PHP
- OpenFL
- HaxeFlixel
- WordPress APIs

### Software Applications and IT related Skills

- Autodesk 3ds Max 2017
- Adobe Creative Suits (Premiere, After Effects, Photoshop, Animate Pro)
- Joomla, WordPress and Moodle
- Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint

### Linguistics Skills:

- English (Fluent)
- Arabic (Native)
- German (Basic)

## Software Engineer

### Sainsbury's Sainsburys Tech

Full-time: March 2020 – May 2021 (1 year 2 months) • Milton Keynes, United Kingdom

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## Freelance Web Full stack and Games Developer

Part-Time: Jan 2012 – Oct 2019 (7 years)

#### Duties:

- Designing, developing, and testing various web and games projects for various clients
- Developing websites, RESTful APIs, and web applications using the following technologies: React.JS, Redux, Ant-Design, Bootstrap, Node.JS, MySQL, Haxe/PHP, wordpress, Joomla, and Shopify
- Developing 2D and 3D Games for the Web and Mobile platforms using the following technologies: Unity3D, HaxeFlixel and OpenFL.
- Developing and publishing open source projects: Grant, a Role-based Access control library for Haxe.
- Communicate and arrange work with other freelance professionals to complete the assigned projects
- Provide technical support for the clients to efficiently use their projects
- Writing documentation and report
- Writing proposals and business plans

#### Selected Projects developed as Freelance Web and Games Developer:

Etqan API  
web Interface

Bacteria A  
Mobile Game

Semsem An  
Educational  
Games Portal

Mastic  
Inventory  
System

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## Lecturer in Software Development



Coventry University

Full-time: October 2014 – March 2020 (5 years and 6 months) • Coventry, United Kingdom

### Duties:

- Developing curriculum, teaching materials, assignments, activities, and delivering lectures and tutorials.
- Teaching the following modules: Web Full Stack Development, Advanced Digital Media Technologies, and Games Design.
- Supervising students' projects at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.
- Participating in Applied Research and Enterprise projects.
- Developing innovative learning tools to enhance the School learning technology and engage students with learning.
- Developing and maintaining the functionality of websites
- Designing prototypes for apps and websites for School activities, research and enterprise projects.
- Carrying out tasks related to full software development life cycle.

### Selected Software Projects developed at Coventry University:

ORBEET Web  
Portal

Tempo Web  
Application to  
track project  
progress

Oktob a Web  
Blog  
developed in  
React

Research  
Project: Etqan  
API Maker

## Research Intern

Microsoft Research  
Research Microsoft Research Cambridge

Full-time: June 2012 - September 2012 (3 months) • Cambridge – United Kingdom

### Duties:

- Summer internship at Microsoft Research Centre in Cambridge.
- Research subject is in Human Computer Interaction at the Socio-Digital research group.

## Lecturer in Computer Science and Multimedia



Hebron University

Full-time: September 2009 - September 2011 (2 years) • Hebron - Palestine

### Duties:

- Lecturer at Computer Science and Multimedia Department
- Taught modules are: Digital Media Production, Introduction to Programming, Algorithms Design and Analysis, Internet Programming.

## Multimedia Lab Supervisor



Hebron University

Full-time: September 2006 - August 2007 (1 year) • Hebron - Palestine

### Duties:

Supervising the Multimedia Lab, support students learning, administrating the lab network and maintaining the equipment.

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## Education



### Queens University of Belfast – United Kingdom

Doctorate (PhD)

Full-time: October 2011 - September 2014

PhD thesis title: “**Microsoft AGE: Adapted Games for Elderly**”

Subjects: Game Design and Development, Human Computer Interaction.

Research is funded by a Microsoft PhD Scholarship



### Universität Bremen - Germany

Master Degree in Digital Media.

Full-time: September 2007 – August 2009

Master Thesis: “**Multimedia E-Assessment**”

Main Subjects: GUI Design, Digital Video Production, Game Design, Human Computer Interaction.



### Palestine Polytechnic University - Palestine

Bachelor Degree in Computer Systems Engineering

Full-time: September 2001 – June 2006

Graduation Project: “**Multiplayer 3D game over local network**”

Subject Learnt: Data Structure, Algorithms, Web Programming, Computer Graphics, Visual Programming, Computer Networks, Operating systems.



### Coventry University – United Kingdom

**Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education**

Part-time: January 2015 – December 2016

A course focusing on excellence of learning experiences in contemporary Higher Education. It also supports to develop professional knowledge, applications and skills to create opportunities for innovation.

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## Publications & Conferences

User as a Super Admin: Giving the End-Users Full Control to Manage Access to Their Data in Social Media Networks, Awad *et al*, ISEEIE 2021: 2021 International Symposium on Electrical, Electronics and Information Engineering, February 2021

Semsem-DEV: A framework to develop and evaluate educational games mechanics, Awad *et al*, 12th European Conference on Games Based Learning, France, 2018

Players' Performance in Cross Generational Game Playing, Awad and Craig, Lecture Notes in Computer Science Series, Volume 10622, Springer 2017

Developing Gamified Elements to Influence Positive Behavioural Change towards Organisational Energy Efficiency. O'Connor *et al*, 11<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Games Based Learning, 2017, Austria

Designing Games for Older Adults: An affordance-based approach, 3rd International Conference on Serious Games and Application in Health 2014, Brazil.

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Microsoft AGE: Adapted Games for the Elderly, Awad and Craig, INTERACT 2013 Conference, Doctoral Consortium, Cape Town, South Africa.

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Intelligent Interaction, Awad et al, SIDEr 2009 - Flirting with the Future Conference, April 2009 Eindhoven.

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Heuristics for Designing Movement based Games for Older Adults, Awad and Craig, In Press

### **Other Certifications**

#### **Video Games and Learning – Online Course**

Corsera.Org

December 2013

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#### **German Language Level B Certificate**

Carl Duisberg Centre, Dortmund, Germany

September 2007

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#### **Web Page Design Course Certificate**

Al Munefia University, Shibeen Al-kum - Egypt

July 2004

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### **Professional Memberships & Awards**

- Fellow member of British Higher Education Academy, Recognition Ref Number: PR127317
  - DAAD Scholarship  
A full scholarship offered by German Academic Service to undertake master study at a German academic institution. Date of Award June 2007.
  - Microsoft PhD Scholarship  
A Prestigious scholarship to undertake a research degree at a British academic institution, Date of Award: August 2011
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