



Web Developer

We're ARS, a thriving northwest suburban marketing agency (visit us at www.thinkars.com). New hires tell us they appreciate the opportunity to design fun, promotional and consumer-driven interactive solutions for America's household names in online consumer retailing. We're a group that embraces creativity, strategic thinking and team-oriented collaboration. If you do too, and have a URL to your work to prove it, please apply! We are seeking an experienced (2+ years) web developer for our Interactive Team.

The Web Developer straddles the line between Web Designer and Programmer by using the ability to interpret interface design and the ability to write and understand pragmatic code, to build the working front-ends of high-impact websites and web-based applications. The ideal candidate is energetic and easy-going with a great work ethic and the personality for a diverse, customer service oriented, casual work environment. The candidate should enjoy meeting interface and daily development challenges with enthusiasm while also researching and proposing new technologies.

You will take on these responsibilities:

- Assist designers and web development team with web development
- Manage websites and work on website maintenance, tools, email campaigns and e-newsletters
- Using a Photoshop interface design, cut and optimize the graphics and use them in conjunction with PHP, ASP, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, etc. to build multi-browser compatible websites
- Make text, graphic and other maintenance changes to pre-existing websites
- Evaluate interface designs for potential development challenges and problems
- Perform quality assurance
- Research and propose new technologies

You have these qualities:

- A strong portfolio or URL links to your work (you won't be considered without it)
- Take ownership of your work with strong attention to detail
- Focused on top-quality work and collaboration
- Strong personal initiative and sense of urgency
- Ability to produce high-quality work

You have these skills:

- 2+ years of developing websites using CSS and XHTML on a Mac platform
- 2+ years of cutting interface designs and optimizing graphics for use in websites
- Some experience with PHP, ASP, or other dynamic scripting language

Strong working knowledge of JavaScript
Advanced Knowledge of Adobe Photoshop, Macromedia DreamWeaver
Knowledge of Macromedia Flash
W3C compliant HTML coding without using WYSIWYG tools
Advanced CSS
Expertise in div-based HTML structure
Javascript
XML formatting

Additional skills that are nice to have:

Knowledge of MySQL, Access, SQL Server
Advanced knowledge of ActionScript
Understanding of AJAX

You are a trend-setting innovator:

Savvy, conceptual thinker and creative Idea generator
Stay on leading edge of interactive design trends
Think, act and go beyond the status quo

Join ARS and enjoy an innovative, quality-focused environment as well as medical, dental, vision, prescription drug and life insurance options and commensurate salary. A 401k program with company match is offered after one year of employment.

Please send links of your work or URL of your portfolio, plus cover letter, resume and salary requirements to opportunities@chicagoars.com. Candidates whose profiles most closely match our requirements will be contacted. No phone calls please.