

Kickstarting your Career in Tech

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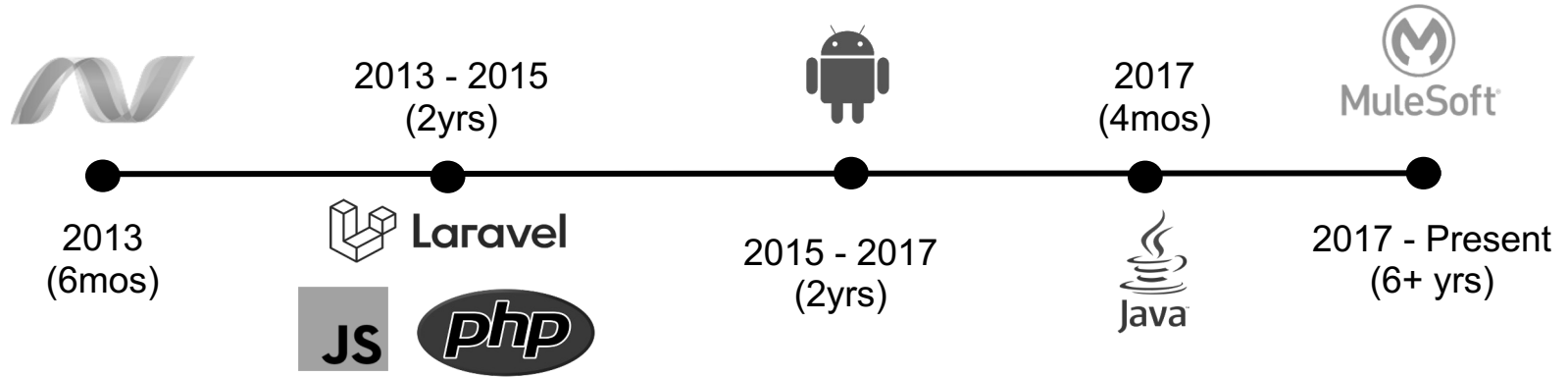
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Hi, I'm Aj!

- 2 yrs in Academe
- 9+ yrs in I.T. industry
- Developer/SE Assoc. Mgr.

Tech Skills Journey



Goals

- Consider a career in tech
- Choose a tech career focus
- Guidance on kick starting career in tech

Career Paths

Knowledge Professionals

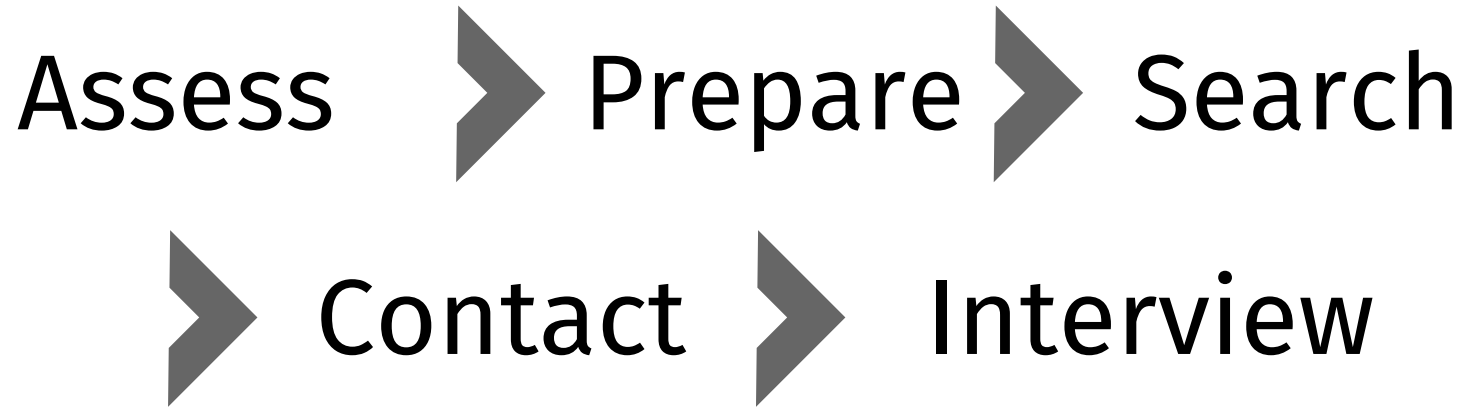
Skilled Professionals

Business or Entrepreneurship

Freelancing

Job Hunting Cycle

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Top 10 Emerging Jobs in the Philippines 2020

1. Robotics Engineer
2. Cyber Security Specialist
3. Customer Success Specialist
4. Data Scientist
5. Sales Development Representative
6. Full Stack Engineer
7. Devops Engineer
8. Data Engineer
9. JavaScript Developer
10. Cloud Engineer

Top 15 Emerging Jobs in the U.K. 2020

1. Artificial Intelligence Specialist
2. Data Protection Officer
3. Robotics Engineer
4. Site Reliability Engineer
5. Customer Success Specialist
6. User Researcher
7. Data Scientist
8. Sales Development Rep
9. Cloud Engineer
10. Cyber Security Specialist
11. Platform Engineer
12. Full Stack Engineer
13. Enterprise Account Executive
14. DevOps Engineer
15. Content Designer

Job Hunting Cycle

Assess  Prepare

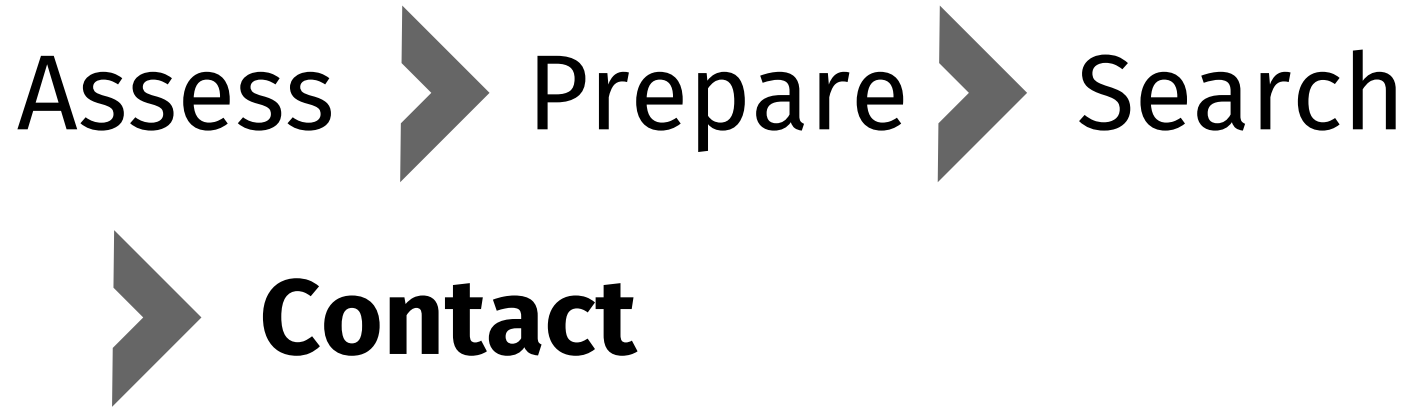
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Assess ➤ Prepare ➤ **Search**

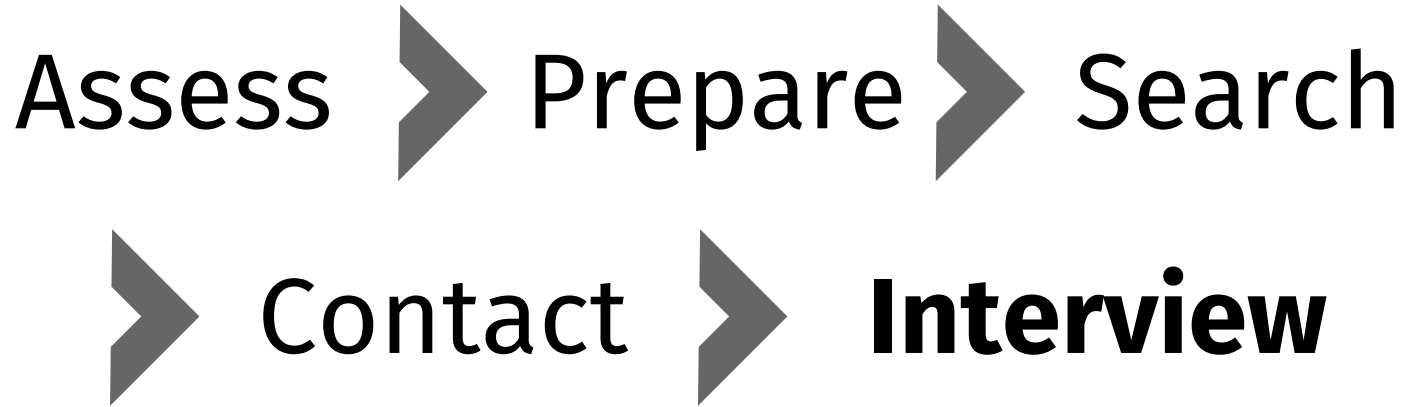
Job Websites

- LinkedIn
- JobStreet
- Kalibrr
- Indeed
- Bossjob
- Facebook

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Hard Skills and Soft Skills

“Hard Skills will get
you the interview,
Soft Skills will get
you the job.”

Top Soft Skills

Graduates should have

Soft Skill # 1

“Communication”

Soft Skill # 2

“Interpersonal Skill”

Soft Skill # 3

“Teamwork”

Soft Skill # 4

“Problem Solving”

Soft Skill # 5

“Adaptability & Flexibility”

Top Myths about Tech Careers

Myth # 1

“Tech Industry is for boys”

Myth # 2

“C.S./I.T. degree is a must”

Myth # 3

**“You must be good at
Math or Science”**

Myth # 4

**“Everyone who works in
tech is under the age of
30”**

Myth # 5

**“Tech is unstable and
no job security”**

Myth # 6

**“You must have
programming skills”**

Myth # 7
**“If You Work in Tech
You Spend All Day
Coding”**

Top Myths about Job Hunting

Myth # 1

“Changing jobs regularly is frowned by employers”

Myth # 2

“The more often i apply, the better my chances”

Myth # 3

“Lower your salary requirements to land the job.”

Myth # 4

“You will have a tough time finding a job if you are over XX age”

Myth # 5

**“It's not what you know, it's
who you know”**

Myth # 6

“My resumé should should show all the kinds of role I can fill in”

Myth # 7

“It doesn’t matter what email address I use to send applications or emails to recruiters”

Myth # 8

“Let me join Company A. If I don't like it, I will leave it and find a better job elsewhere”

Job Hopping

Company Reviews & Salaries

payscale.com

glassdoor.com

Things I Learned

In my series of Job
Hunting

**“You will get
rejected, and that’s
okay”**

**“Rejection
can be
Redirection”**

**“Latin honors don't
guarantee”**

**“Make connections,
build networks and
follow right people”**

“Don’t rush things”

**“Your day job
doesn't have to be
your passion”**

**“Find a job that will
pay you well for you
to fulfill your true
passion”**

Things I Learned
(and cont.)
In my Career

**“Learn
how to
Learn”**

**“It’s okay to start
small”**

**“Don’t work for
money”**

**“Build your own life
on your own
timeline”**

**“Question the
status quo”**

**“Establish Financial
Literacy”**

Q & A

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