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With a rapidly advancing industry like technology and more specifically computer science, one of the most important things that I have learned from professionals is that it is important to always be learning new tools and software to create the most state of the art projects. Only through doing this do you make yourself a more appealing developer and more importantly keep up with the industry.

These past two weeks, I had the chance to learn new technologies like ReactJS to improve upon my frontend development skills. When combining these new skills with my backend development skills, I have achieved a new level of development called full stack development, a highly sought out skill in the industry today.

One of the largest challenges faced when increasing my frontend development knowledge is deciding which technologies to use as there are a wide array of modern tools. To ensure the process was as easy as possible, it was necessary to move forward with a technology that synthesized prior knowledge. Through this, the valuable skill of working smarter not harder was gained. Generally when learning new technology, there are many barriers because of a knowledge gap. However by minimizing the knowledge gap, more can be learned with less effort, a skill that tends to be valuable when considering the vast amount of computer science technologies that are available to users.

Reflecting for the future, through being able to work smarter rather than harder, there is a greater probability that employers will like my style of working because I can quickly adapt to whatever projects they present to the table. Additionally through learning these new skills, I am preparing myself to take on technopreneurial endeavors that require developers who have full stack experience.

