

Font Developer Job Description

About Us

Dalton Maag is a typeface design studio, founded in 1991. We work with designers and branding specialists worldwide to help every client find their best typographic expression – from logotype refinement and font licensing, to the creation of custom font suites.

Our team spans eighteen nationalities and speaks thirteen languages; we bring our design and technical expertise to every project, regardless of scope or ambition. Notable custom font projects include Airbnb Cereal, BBC Reith, and Lush Handwritten.

Our own ever-growing font library offers over 1,400 fonts across more than 60 families, ranging from versatile sans and elegant script to classic serifs and fresh display fonts, expertly designed with extensive writing system and language support.

Job Summary

As a Font Developer at Dalton Maag, you will work as part of a Font Development team, contributing to a range of products and services which help maintain and expand Dalton Maag's international client base, and which deliver against our overall strategic objectives.

You will have a proven ability to develop high-quality typefaces in a commercial context, and be open to expanding your knowledge and skills in all areas of font development, including typeface design, font engineering, and font hinting. You will be self-motivating, excel in operating within a team, and be comfortable delivering your work within a project structure with milestones and deadlines.

The role requires a strong sense of responsibility, flexibility, and dedication to delivering the highest quality output within the time available.

Required Skills and Experience

- Experience in designing high-quality typefaces for the Latin writing system
- A logical, punctual, and organized approach
- A collaborative, proactive, and communicative attitude
- A creative and innovative approach to everyday problem-solving
- An understanding of the full Font Development process, including design, spacing and kerning, engineering, and hinting
- A recent track record of working well as part of a team
- Good communication skills
- Good verbal and written English
- Excellent customer service skills
- A good level of commercial awareness
- A good understanding of project management principles
- An approach which seeks and exploits opportunities for professional development
- The ability to learn and use the Adobe Creative Suite, font editing and production software like FontLab, GlyphsApp, and other industry-standard applications

Desired but not Essential Skills & Experience

- Experience in designing high-quality typefaces for the Arabic, Indic, Chinese, Japanese, or Korean writing systems

Duties

- Plays an active part in the various phases of Font Development projects, contributing as a plannable resource
- May lead Font Development projects
- Always works collaboratively with other Font Developers in their own team and cross-team where required
- Delivers high-quality work to internal standards in a timely way
- Communicates with clients, consultants, and suppliers
- Meets and seeks to improve internal quality standards, requirements, and best practices
- Documents knowledge and experiences

Location

London, or flexible by arrangement.

Annual Salary

From £34,670 per annum, depending on experience. Salary is reviewed annually.

To Apply

Please send your CV, portfolio, and covering email to careers@daltonmaag.com.