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Personal Information

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Education

2012–2016 **MMathPhil Mathematics and Philosophy**, *University of Oxford*, *First Class* (parts A and B); First Class (part C).

o Awarded the Les Woods Scholarship for academic achievement

2010–2012 **A-levels**, Thornton Grammar School, A* A* A.

A*s in Maths and Further Maths, A in Physics.

- Awarded the A-level Further Maths prize
- o Awarded the 'Academic Appointments' prize for best A-level achievement

2008–2010 **GCSEs**, *Thornton Grammar School*, 7 A*s, 4 As, 1 B. including A*s in all three Sciences, Maths and English Language.

Employment Experience

July 2015 Internship, Softwire, London.

- \circ Learned C#, AngularJS, various other web technologies and the basics of commercial software development
- o Programmed individually and in pairs
- o In a team of six, wrote an internal Softwire app for lunch collection

July 2014 Academic Mentor, UNIQ Summer School, Oxford.

Provided help and support for prospective university students.

- o Responsible for nine students for a week
- Fostered team spirit with team challenges
- o Gave presentation on 'How to build a calculator out of dominoes'

Skills and Extracurricular Activities

2014-2015 Website and Computing Officer, Balliol JCR.

- Managed college student union's website, maintaining and modifying several custom Drupal modules
- Managed mailing lists
- Provided general computing help

Oct-Nov '13 Volunteer Trainer, Oxford Nightline.

Trained 9 students as a team of 3, over 2 full days of training and 1 day of assessment.

Technical o Python, Django (proficient)

- Built personal website using Django framework
- o C# (basic)
- Haskell (basic)
- o HTML, CSS, Javascript (comfortable)
 - Used JQuery and AngularJS during internship at Softwire
- Git (comfortable)
- Bash (comfortable)
- LaTeX (intermediate)
 - Wrote 40-page dissertation using LaTeX
- Windows, Linux (comfortable)

Other o Piano (Grade 8, Merit) - 2012

- Qualifications o Drums (Grade 8, Merit) 2012
 - o Duke of Edinburgh Award (Bronze) 2011

- Languages o English (Native)
 - German (Beginner)

Interests and Activities

- Music o Perform regularly as part of a band or on my own
 - Won the talent competitions at both my school and my college at Oxford
 - o Compose and have recorded my own music
 - o Member of Balliol choir; part of concert tour to Florence in 2014

- Drama o Acted in and musical directed various student productions
 - o Lead role in £30,000 productions at the Minack Theatre for 2 years running

Volunteering o Volunteered for Oxford Nightline, a confidential listening service for students