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Profile

- MEng Graduate with a strong foundation.
- Experienced with Object-Oriented Programming, development, testing and debugging.
- Outgoing individual with the ability to adapt quickly to new environments.
- Eager to learn, and fast to master new technologies.
- Technically minded and inquisitive character with a methodical approach to problem-solving.
- Effective at communicating and strong inter-personal skills.
- Possess leadership qualities with an understanding of the importance of teamwork, as well as self-direction and motivation.

Education

University of the West of England

Sept 2016 - June 2020

MEng (Integrated) Mechanical Engineering

Distinction

Core Modules: Engineering Mathematics, Industrial Applications of Vision and Automation, Advanced Control Engineering, Innovation in Operations Management, Masters Group Project

Year 4 Thesis: Biomimicry's Future in Aviation

Sept 2014 – July 2016

Modules: Physics, Maths, Geography

Work Placement

AMEC Foster Wheeler

Shadow July 2014

• Shadowed multiple engineering disciplines, giving insight into everyday tasks.

• Completed and passed all technical tasks set by the engineers.

Employment

Bristol Robotics Laboratory

Sept 2019 - Jan 2020

Bartender

- Project Lead of a team of five, with guidance from two experienced mentors.
- Successfully developed an idea to establish autonomy in an MFC powered system.
- Developed skills in creative problem-solving, whilst gaining experience in executing a scientific approach in line with company practices.
- Created a new take on a mechanical siphon, utilizing rapid prototyping in the form of 3D-printing
- Final report achieved 89%, whereas the presentation fetched 77%

Lounges May 2019 – Sep 2019

Bartender

- Full time role during working as part of a large team, developing my skills in customer service and teamwork.
- At busy times I was manning the bar unassisted, demonstrating my ability to take the initiative and perform under pressurised situations.

Times Marquees May 2017 – Sep 2017

Jr Marquee Erector

- Full time role during my first year of university working as part of a **team** in the construction of marquees.
- Regularly worked 12+ hour days with early starts and few breaks in challenging conditions.
- Selected early on to drive the vans and often lead deployments of small teams.

Skills

C/C++, Python, HTML, CSS, MATLAB, Six Sigma, 8D, Project Management, Microsoft Office.

Achievements & Awards

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze & Silver Awards - During 6th form I was very active outside of college. I took part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme and completed fully the Bronze & Silver Awards, including the Gold expedition.

Army Proficiency Certificate- As a part of the combined cadet force, I undertook a syllabus called the army proficiency certificate (APC). It offered life changing experiences that I would not be exposed to with any other extra-curricular activity. It challenged me regularly providing opportunities to **develop** skills and work as a **team**.

Courses

APM Project Fundamentals Qualification (PFQ)-This qualification, developed by APM, offered a fundamental awareness of project management terminology. It offered a broad understanding of the principles of the profession.

Beginning C++ Programming Course – Beginner to Beyond- A course designed to obtain modern C++ Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) and STL skills needed for fame, system, and application development.

Python and Django Full Web Stack Development Bootcamp- A course designed to build websites with HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, JavaScript as well as back end technologies.

Machine Learning A-Z: Hands on Python & R in Data Science- A course designed to create machine learning algorithms given the choice of Python & R as a language (I used Python).

Key Experiences

- Living on my own at university for the first time and taking **responsibility** for my finances whilst meeting a plethora of **new people** from different backgrounds.
- Working with Bristol Robotics Laboratory in a professional environment, managing a project and presenting brings
 with it skills that I could not learn in the classroom.

Hobbies & Interests

Sporting

- I played 1st team rugby and cricket for my college, training 3 times a week.
- · Avid weightlifter, using knowledge to specify training and nutrition to enhance performance
- Member of the UWE Tennis Club and UWE Surf Society.
- Annual trips to go skiing, with 16 years of experience.

Other

- A philomath, completing courses regularly on multiple learning platforms. Currently, I am interested in Machine Learning and its applications in data science.
- I love listening to and plying music. I have learnt the saxophone to a grade 5 level, as well as teaching myself guitar ion my downtime.
- Avid traveler and often during my time off studying, visiting new places to explore the local culture and scenery.
- Car enthusiast with a growing interest in **Autonomous Vehicles** who enjoys attending classic car festivals such as Auto Italia.