Finlay Williams

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Award-winning Electrical Engineering graduate and Software Engineer at Microsoft with a proven track record in leading Agile teams, developing comprehensive test tools, and managing critical infrastructure. Seeking new opportunities to leverage my skills and experience.

Relevant Experience

Software Engineer

September 2022 - Present

Microsoft

- Lead QA Tester and Release Owner: Ensured smooth product releases by identifying and resolving critical bugs, maintaining high-quality standards.
- Scrum Master: Organised and facilitated team meetings in an Agile environment, fostering an inclusive space for equal participation among engineers.
- Lead Test Tools Developer: Created a comprehensive suite of test tools using Python, ensuring product compliance with specifications.
- Infrastructure Owner: Managed internal GitLab and Artifactory deployments serving over 1,000 engineers, maintaining secure and smooth operations.
- Lead Tester for Production Features: Maintained code quality and oversaw testing of production features.
- C-Side Security Developer: Developed security features for products, enhancing overall security.

Software Engineering Intern

June 2021 – September 2021

IBM

- Developed a unique augmented reality tour system for the IBM Hursley museum.
- Implemented a continuous deployment system for the website using IBM Cloud.
- Integrated an IBM AI chatbot model using Node-RED.
- Implemented the website using Python Django.

Further Experience

Civil Engineering Intern

July 2020 - August 2020

Bechtel

- Worked closely with industry experts to create a value proposition for systems engineering.
- Gained experience in teamwork and research within a large company.
- Presented findings to large groups concisely and efficiently.

Assistant Bar Manager

October 2018 - June 2021

St. Mary's College Bar

 Served customers, performed opening and closing duties including cash handling, and assisted the bar manager in scheduling, stock management and managing the team of 15 bar staff

EDUCATION

MEng Electrical Engineering (Distinction)

2018 - 2022

Durham University

- Dissertation entitled "Optimisation of Wind Farm Power Production using Artificial Intelligence" (80%).
- Awarded the IET Power Student Prize for the best Electrical Engineer in Northumberland two years running.
- Awarded the Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship for Academic Excellence for being the best Engineer in Durham.
- Modules including: Optermisiation, Power Electonics, Computational Thinking, Electrical Energy Conversion and Renewable Energy Technologies.

A Level Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Product Design (A*A*A*A*) 2016 –2018 Colchester Royal Grammar School

10 GCSEs, including English and Mathematics (6A*)

2011 - 2016

Tendring Technology College

SKILLS

- Lanuages: Python, C, Javascript, HTML, CSS, MATLAB®, Node-RED
- Infrastructure: Azure, GitLab, Artifactory, VSphere, VCloud, Openstack
- Software: Azure DevOps, Solidworks, Autodesk Inventor, LTSpice, MS Office, LATEX

Interests

• Side Projects

- Built, tuned, and flown racing drones.
- Designed and 3D printed grandfather clocks.
- Designed, manufactured, and optimized mechanical keyboards.

Hiking

- Avid ultralight hiker and vlogger.
- Hiked over 2000 km spending 120 nights under canvas.
- Surfer, Kite Surfer and Snowboarder

References on Request