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Education and Qualifications

2023-	Carnegie Mellon University	Masters in Information Technology
2022-2022	University of Johannesburg	BScHons Information Technology
2018-2021	University of Johannesburg	BSc Computer Science and Informatics

Work Experience

Jan 2023 – Business Systems Group Aug 2023 Software Developer

 As a fullstack developer, I was rapidly upskilled in all aspects of software development, including DevOps and backend work.
My work at BSG involved developing a medical aid/insurance comparison website from scratch, from design to deployment.

Feb 2021 – University of Johannesburg

Dec 2022 Assistant/Tutor

- Gave practical tutorials on C++ and introductory computer science concepts
- Tasked with marking weekly-due practical VB.NET, HTML/CSS, C#, and C++ assignments, tests, and exams for undergraduate students
- Mentor for second year student Informatics project

Mar 2014 – Arachnid Design

Dec 2022 Co-Founder and Lead Engineer

 Developed, designed, and maintained digital platforms for fashion and ecommerce start-ups, a private school, and a community police forum

May 2013 – The Gaming Report

Nov 2016

Founder of one of the leading gaming media outlets in Africa

- Attracted over 100,000 monthly readers across digital channels
- Covered the world's largest video game events, including E3, Gamescom and the Tokyo Game Show, as well as local events rAge Expo and EGE SA
- Negotiated large advertisement deals with game distributors for EA, Activision, and Xbox
- Interviewed applicants for in-house and outsourced writing positions

Additional Information

Scholarships

- National Student Financial Aid Scheme
- National Research Foundation
- Department of Higher Education grants

Achievements

- Top 5 in the UJ honours project
- Best Website and Top 3 in third-year undergrad project
- Top Achiever for Informatics in the Faculty of Science 2018-2021
- Top 10 Hackathon Project in Gauteng NEMISA 2021 Data Science
- First place in second-year undergrad project

Research

Immune system inspired game intelligence (year project)

Experience

3 semester-long research projects

Languages English and Portuguese