

# Scott Allen

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## Personal statement

I have the ability to manage my workload while staying organised and efficient. Strong ability to remain calm under pressure, to multi-task and to problem solve on the spot, making decisions in order get the desired results. Enjoy learning new techniques and solutions for completing a task.

I would be very interested in finding a job in which I would be able to gain experience in software development and the processes that go into putting out a new program/web app. I really enjoy seeing a project through its entire development process, being able to see how a project develops over time is incredibly interesting.

The perfect job would be something that would allow me to develop my skills as a member of a large team and/or as a software developer.

## Strengths

**Problem Solving:** During the Summer of Tech Hackfest our team created a web app around the Google maps and Trade Me APIs. Having very little knowledge of these before the event as a group we spent a lot of time working out how we were going to handle the large amount of data that we were requesting and then how to display it onto the maps API.

**Learns Quickly:** A great example of this is from the Hackfest where our team used a language and MVC which no one had any experience in. Over the course of a day a team member and I learned Ruby and the Rails gem from scratch, at the end of the day we had a reasonably polished app which we at a team were very happy with.

**Dependable:** One of my courses (SWEN 222) is a course based around programming as part of a group, when working as part of a team I always attempt to arrive on time, having completed any tasks I have promised too.

**Team Player:** In both Hackfest and University projects I feel I work well at communicating my ideas, while able to take criticism. I can follow instructions or if needed I can guide the team by assigning tasks and helping with anyone that's struggling.

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## **Work history**

Nov 2012– Dec 2012, as a waiter at Tinakori Bistro

Jan 2013– Present, at Burger King Miramar as a crew member

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## **Education**

Completed NCEA Level 3

Completing my second year at Victoria University in Software engineering.

I have a high level of understanding in Java; this has been the main focus of my degree. I also have intermediate knowledge with C, Python, Ruby (on Rails), JavaScript, and SQL.

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## **Interest**

Golf: I've played for the last ten years, when I get the time I still really enjoy going out for a game.

Hockey: Player for a long time, still 'attempt' to keep up to date.

Tech events: for instance the Hackfest, also events like CES and Googles Keynote.

Development: When I get the chance I really enjoy creating small games or applications in Java, or occasionally JavaScript.

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## **References**

Available on request.

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## **Summary**

I would be very interested in finding work with anyone that's involved in the industry; I can be very flexible with my hours outside of University.