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Personal Statement

I am a Software Engineering master’s graduate boasting excellent academic results throughout both my undergraduate and master’s studies, achieving a First Class and Distinction, respectively. Accompanying my academic achievements, I’ve gained extensive work experience and transferable skills from 7+ years of employment in the electronics sector prior to attending university. With excitement and motivation, I’m striving to find a graduate/entry-level technology-related position alongside a company that enables invaluable personal growth through meaningful contribution.

Education

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| University of Hertfordshire | 2020 – 2021 |
| MSc (SW) Software Engineering **(Distinction)** | |

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| University of Hertfordshire | 2017 – 2020 |
| BSc (Hons) Computer Science - Software Engineering **(First Class)** | |

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| **Notable modules/grades:** | |
| * Software Engineering Practice – 93% | * Data Structures and Algorithms – 80% |
| * The C Family (C/C++) – 86% | * Programming (Java) – 78% |
| * Programming Paradigms – 83% | * Object-Oriented Development – 76% |

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| West Suffolk College | 2013 – 2017 | |
| Electrical and Electronic Engineering Extended Diploma **(QCF)** | | |
| **West Suffolk College** | | 2013 – 2016 |
| BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Electrical/Electronic Engineering **(Distinction: Merit)** | | |

Certifications

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| Learning Tree International | January 2020 |
| *Introduction to Python for Data Analytics* | |

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| JPMorgan Chase (Inside Sherpa) | January 2020 |
| *Software Engineering Virtual Experience* | |

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| Learning Tree International | May 2018 |
| *Python Programming Introduction Course (Grade: Distinction)* | |

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| UK Black Tech | April 2018 |
| *GitHub Fundamentals* | |

Skills and Achievements

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| * Received commendation from the board of examiners regarding my second-year undergraduate grades * Knowledgeable in a range of programming languages such as Java, Python, C, and C++. * Key software concepts such as Object-Oriented Development and Data Structures and Algorithms |
| * Self-taught web development HTML, CSS, Vue.js. |
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Work Experience

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| **Tipi and Marquee Crew** | May 2021 - Present |
| *Country Tipis* | |

* Utilising teamwork to erect Tipi and Marquee structures at various events
* Committed and hardworking in a labour-intensive job across a span of long shifts
* Asked to take the position of crew leader in unforeseen circumstances such as staffing issues.

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| **Warehouse Assistant** | Summer 2018 & 2019 |
| *Stephen Austin* | |

* Packaged exam papers for distribution worldwide, sticking to strict packaging protocol always
* Continued development of teamwork, time management, and communication skills
* Prioritising excellent housekeeping habits and a high level of security vigilance.

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| Electronics Test Technician | 2013 - 2017 |
| *Cogent Technology* | |

* Responsible for conducting technical, functional tests on a wide range of electronic products from sectors that specialise in telecoms, medical, and shipping.
* Supported new apprentices/test employees, offering them support and ensuring a positive and welcoming introduction to the department.
* Utilised computers and specialist fault diagnosis equipment to identify both hardware and software faults on new and old customer returned products.
* Extremely team orientated environment, collaborating with fellow service and test technicians daily to resolve an array of technical problems.

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| **Electronics Production Specialist** | 2011 - 2013 |
| *Cogent Technology* | |

* Contributed to a team of production specialists producing various products from telecoms to medical devices maintaining the highest quality.
* Received regular training and re-certification from a certified instructor, enabling me to solder conventional components to a very high standard.
* Managed personal workloads, producing products from start to finish.
* Operated under tight, non-flexible deadlines, ensuring customers received their products on time, whilst enhancing my ability to work under pressure.