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Known languages
Java
C & C++
Haskell
Matlab
Python
JavaScript
Node.js
HTML5 & CSS
SQL
PHP
ARM assembly

Experience with
HDL (nand2tetris)
Django
Eclipse
JavaFX
WordPress
Photoshop
Sketch
InDesign
QuarkXPress

Full-stack software developer with a entrepreneurial yet design-focused background seeking year-long job placement as part of a university degree. With an expected 1st class degree in Computer Science, a self-taught knowledge of programming, and hands-on experience helping startups build both apps and businesses, I have a broad skill-set for dealing with both people and code.

Education

2014-18   BSc (Hons) Computer Science - University of Nottingham
Expected June 2018, on track for 1st class with 74.5% in Year 1, including 85% in G51MFC, 81% in G51PRG and 84% in G51CSA.

2012-14   A Levels - Sussex Downs College, Lewes
Computing - A, French - B, Maths with Decision & Mechanics - C with the first year of BTEC Software Development (Distinction Star).

2009-12   GCSEs / IGCSEs - Bede's School, Hailsham
12 GCSE's including English IGCSE, Maths, French, ICT IGCSE, Additional Science and Business Studies.

Work Experience

Chief Technical Officer, PinPoint — September 2015 - June 2016 (Expected)
After hearing about me from fellow Jisc award-winners Lingoflow, I will be helping PinPoint to launch their idea into a successful business and app. Starting from only mockups and text descriptions, the app is expected to be launched in 2016.

Lead back-end developer, Javoo — April - June 2015
I worked for Javoo as they started up their business, building a Node.js and MySQL server to handle data for their Android app, which is a social network designed to help Alzheimer's patients retain memories and connect with family.

System developer, Custard Design — June 2012 - August 2013
For my A Level Computing project, I built a cloud-based data management system in PHP and MySQL to help Custard manage orders. I also wrote a report on the research conducted and feedback from initial tests.

Skills

Languages

I'm a keen linguist, and speak professional French (at CEF's B1 level), with basic conversational skills in Mandarin Chinese, completing a 6 week course at Shanghai Jiao Tong University, China.

Business skills

I'm also big on business, and learnt the tools of trade from my parents, who both ran their own businesses. I also helped out with a few tech startups. As part of my work for Javoo, I helped them discuss business ideas and future progression, and I also worked with Lingoflow, a friend's startup, helping them with registering their company in the UK and also with user experience design and discussions on future functionality. Lingoflow won Jisc's Summer of Student Innovation while I was helping them, and I'm also now helping the 2015 winner of the Jisc competition, PinPoint, with their business as well.

Achievements and other work

UnituHack 2014

I won the UnituHack 2014 competition, as part of a 4 person team. I attended with the friend who runs Lingoflow, discussing ideas on the train, before finding 2 other people at the event to develop the idea. We created an educational platform that allowed students to connect with each other and share resources, which not only won but also got endorsement from *Mendeley* on their blog, an industry leader in online research paper sharing.

Apps for Good 2013

I took part in the Apps for Good competition in 2013, in another 4 person group, with a social networking app based around location. We entered the semi-final stage, before knocked out before the finals.

Volunteer work

I also volunteer at NCWA, the Nottingham Chinese Welfare Association, giving 2 and a half hours of my time a week tutoring the elderly on how to use computers and smartphones, and in particular how to keep in touch with family and read the news.

References

Contact details are available on request.

- Thorsten Altenkirch - Tutor at Nottingham University
- Liz Hampton - Head of Nottingham Chinese Welfare Association
- Scott Rosenberg – CEO of Javoo
- Lukas Ondrej - Co-founder of Lingoflow, co-winner of UnituHack '14

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