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EDUCATION

University of Birmingham

Dubai, UAE

MEng Computer Science with Software Engineering

September 2023 - Present

Relevant Modules:

Object Oriented Programming, Artificial Intelligence, Data Structures & Algorithms, Computer Systems, Operating Systems, Functional Programming, Databases and Web Programming, Security & Networks, Software Engineering

ACTIVITIES & EXPERIENCE

DORZ Dubai, UAE

Software Intern

July 2025 - September 2025

- Designed, developed and implemented a full stack ride-booking service into the DORZ mobile application
- Integrated third party APIs for ride fares, ride status, map live tracking, saved locations among other features
- Implemented back end and front end core features independently

Student Entrepreneurship Association (SEA)

Dubai, UAE

Head of Volunteers

October 2024 - Present

- Worked with the executive team to bring SEA from 0 to over 500 members in one academic year
- Successfully co-ordinated on-ground operations of 'Entrepreneurship Day', the university's largest event to date, which won 'Outstanding Activity of the Year'
- Organized and led volunteer teams across events, talks, and presentations, ensuring smooth execution

University of Birmingham School of Computer Science

Dubai, UAE

Student Representative

October 2024 - Present

- Collected and communicated student feedback to faculty through Student-Staff Forums, improving academic experience
- Acted as a liaison between students and faculty, ensuring clear communication in an organized manner
- Promoted collaboration between students and staff, helping build a more engaged academic community

PERSONAL PROJECTS

Dorz 'Book a Ride' September 2025

- Developed a ride-booking MVP for the Dorz app with integrated Yango ride-hailing service, including real time ride options and pricing from Yango API for multiple ride classes
- Implemented dynamic location selection via map, search, saved addresses, and Google Maps links via regex parsing.
- Built simulated booking, payment, and ride tracking flows, including ride history and persistent saved addresses.

Portfolio Website September 2025

- Developed a portfolio website from the ground up using HTML, TailwindCSS & React
- Implemented reusable React components to ensure clean and professional coding practice
- Applied version control using Git & deployed the site using Netlify

Password Manager (C) February 2025

- Built a command-line password manager in C, implementing secure password storage with AES encryption via OpenSSL
- Integrated SQLite for persistent credential management, and applied regex-based rules for password validation
- Added functionality for random password generation and database configuration, gaining practical experience in systems programming and security-focused development