

Matthew Stevenson

I'm a third year Computer Science student currently enrolled at Ulster University Coleraine, this year I'm out of full-time study and working in a Software firm called 'ISArc Limited', also in Coleraine.

Personal Details:

Home Address (01/1998-Present)	Term-Time Address (09/2016-09/2017)
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Education:

2014–15: Year One - BSc (Hons) Computing (Games Development) – Course Code: G457	
Module	Mark/Grade
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Computer Hardware and NetworksSoftware Development IIntroduction to Web DevelopmentProfessional and Academic Skills	52% - 2:1 76% - First Class Honours 79% - First Class Honours Pass
Modules	Mark/Grade
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Computer FoundationsSoftware Development IIWeb Information SystemsProfessional and Academic Skills	62% - 2:1 68% - 2:1 40% - 2:2 Pass

2015–16: Year Two - BSc (Hons) Computing (Games Development) – Course Code: G457	
Modules	Mark/Grade
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Web Applications DevelopmentData StructuresGame Design and DevelopmentProfessional Development and Employability	65% - 2:1 61% - 2:1 55% - 2:2 Pass
Modules	Mark/Grade
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Mobile and Cloud ComputingConcurrent SystemsWeb Database SystemsProfessional Development and Employability	79% - First Class Honours 62% - 2:1 55% - 2:2 Pass

2007-2014: Belfast High School, Newtownabbey
2012-2014 (GCE/(Advanced Subsidiary): <ul style="list-style-type: none">ICT - A (B), Moving Image Arts - B (C), Technology and Design - C (C) 2010-2012 (GCSE): <ul style="list-style-type: none">Art - A, Technology - A, ICT - A, Mathematics - B, DA Science - BB, English Literature - C, English Language - C

Work Experience:

SSE Airtricity (Duration: 15/06/16–20/08/16), TAAJ Jordanstown (Duration: 7/10/15–10/11/15)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• This Summer I obtained a full-time direct sales position working for SSE Airtricity, here I was a field representative for the company and spoke to around 120 people each day. The job was a door-to-door sales job which entailed me not only presenting myself well enough to gain a customers attention but to represent the company in a professional and mature manner. Each day I made around 4-5 sales which saw me assisting people change their electrical provider from a range of other companies, to SSE. The job was all about promoting your personality and not only selling a great product but ‘selling yourself’, relating to people differently depending on their age or gender for example, promoting a positive attitude, smiling, being polite and having good manners, projecting a well balanced tone-of-voice and being indifferent. Door-to-door sales is known to be a difficult field to excel in and some might say it takes a certain type of person to flourish doing it, but I feel that my experience working for SSE has boosted my communication and interpersonal skills to an acknowledgeable level, along with that of gaining me valuable experience in customer service and giving me a background of sales experience also.• Last year before the Christmas holidays I worked in TAAJ Jordanstown, an Indian restaurant close to home, where I worked as a waiter and cashier. Although I didn’t work there for very long I got a good understanding of how a restaurant functions behind the scenes and how to handle difficult situations which can arise when the store becomes busy or crowded, working to a faster but still effective pace to allow for increasing demand. I waited tables for drinks and menus, routinely assisting customers who had been seated, or allowing new arrivals to enter and allocate them their seats.

Skills:

Technical Skills Profile
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Operating Systems (Windows XP, Vista, 7, 8, 8.1, 10 Linux Ubuntu, Mint OSX)• Programming Languages: (C++ C# Java JavaScript HTML (4.1, 5) CSS PHP UNIX)• Knowledge of Microsoft Office packages and programs (MS Office 2003-2016)• Physical LAN/WAN Technologies (Work Experience in ‘Schrader Electronics’ with research of network infrastructures and imaging of nodes and computerised systems)• Experience in Design and Development with Unity Gaming Engine• Intermediate level of expertise with use of Adobe Photoshop and other digital editing programs
Personal Communication
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Capable of communicating information to individuals and groups of individuals with use of sophisticated vocabulary.• Find it easy to put high-level literacy skills and terminology to use during communication.• Adaptable to differing scenarios of communication and able to mould conversation depending on the audience present and their knowledge of the topic at hand.
Team Building
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Played in sports teams and fast paced physical activities such as basketball and football, communicating with a team and working with one another to achieve a goal or objective.• Preference in taking a leading role in situations that require direction and planning, often influence communication between team members.

Organisational Skills
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Often prepared and organised when allocated sections of time to complete or carry out a task. • Punctual and meticulous in all aspects of organisation, from arriving on time to planning and preparing work. • Good use of time and allocating time in order to manage tasks and assignments to increase efficiency in a working environment.

Problem Solving
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capable of listening and interpreting instructions and opinions from members of a team but also have fortitude in personal and individual problem solving. • Analytical when attempting to understanding a problem, originating with the source and working in a logical and methodical procedure in order to overcome the problem.

Achievements
<p>2015: Member of team participating in Microsoft Ireland's Imagine Cup</p> <p>2012: Highest achiever in GCE coursework project for designing and creating a functioning electronic counting device with relevant aesthetic aspects</p> <p>2011-2012: Captained Basketball training team for Belfast High School</p> <p>2011: Awarded highest achiever in Technology and Design GCSE project product design and manufacture</p> <p>2010: Awarded highest achiever in Technology and Design GCSE project product design</p>

Personal Interests and Hobbies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I am an avid skateboarder and have followed my passion for skateboarding for around 7 years now. Skateboarding is a very creative sport and allows people who do it to do whatever they wish, I have learned that hard work, determination, perseverance and commitment to achieve something in skateboarding, is the same concept as that of the academic side to learning and indeed that of the working environment also. • On occasion I play 5-a-side football in Jordanstown, Ulster University outdoors grounds for charity, otherwise friends and I like to play recreationally.

Referees:

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