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Date of Birth: 07/01/2001

I am a polite and driven second year software engineering student who has successfully combined my studies with volunteer work and other commitments. In achieving this, I have shown myself to be self-motivated, committed and determined in achieving my goals and have a capacity to work hard under pressure. I can relate to and work with a wide range of people, as shown by my volunteering along with other experiences.

KEY SKILLS

Communication

- During my DofE gold expedition communication was a key skill required as I was placed in a group I did not know. We all had to overcome obstacles and stick together as a team. During this gruelling challenge good communication was essential in navigating at night-time and through tough terrain.
- Communication was also required within a small team of staff through my job as a waiter having to ensure orders were correctly given to the chefs and service was as efficient as possible.
- I used to play football weekly at my local club which has also greatly improved my communication as I had to properly organise the team throughout the games effectively which I thoroughly enjoyed.

Teamwork

- I have a positive can-do attitude when doing group work at University. It is easy to be pessimistic when confronted with a tight deadline or unfamiliar software. I feel as if I have always risen to any challenge and tackled it head on. Usually by doing additional revision and putting extra hours in, I have never let a group project get the better of me and thoroughly enjoy learning new skills.
- Teamwork was essential in a week-long volunteering placement I took part in at a youth hostel during August 2018. Work undertaken involved helping to build a network of pathways with the deadline being the end of the week. So, in order to achieve this, we had to assign working roles and be as effective as possible.
- DofE also had a huge element of teamwork throughout the expeditions and we required persistence, motivation and encouragement to help drive the team to work efficiently under pressure and in difficult times. The expedition coordinator complimented my excellent teamwork and leadership.

Organisation

- Good organisation was essential in balancing extracurricular activities such as volunteering with A-level work during my exam period.
- Recently passed my army officer selection at AC Lichfield which requires large amounts of preparation and commitment. I plan to become a reservist army officer in the Royal Signals.
- Managed a group of 5 during a group presentation following the gold DofE expedition. Ensured everyone was on track to complete their part and at the end of the project, organised and collated all of the work together.

Creativity

- Through the use of various coding platforms such as Visual Studio, I thoroughly enjoy creating and designing interfaces for personal projects in my spare time. As well as being very fulfilling they have also massively improved my understanding of coding languages.
- During my volunteering at Ruston's Tennis, I had to come up with new exercises each week to keep the lessons engaging for the players.

Key Technical Skills

Programing Languages/ Scripting Languages	C++, C#, CSS, HTML, PHP, Java, JavaScript
Software	Visual Studio, Visual Studio Code, Android Studio, GitHub, Eclipse

Previous Modules**Current Modules**

Professional experience and project development	74.4	Average Grade	Database systems for software applications
Fundamentals of computer architecture	80		Group software development project
Fundamentals of programming for software engineering	85.3		Networked software development
Mathematics for software engineering	59		Object-oriented programming for software engineering
Systems modelling	83		Software engineering: concepts and methods
Component programming	96		Web application development
Please note, the average grade is calculated from the assignments and exams I completed in year one of my course up until all remaining tasks were eventually called off due to the pandemic in mid – April.			

QualificationsGCSEs (2015-2017)

English Language	7	Physics	B
English Literature	7	Religious Education	B
Maths	5	Business Studies	B
ICT	Distinction*	Geography	A
Chemistry	A	Biology	A

A'Levels (2017-2019)

Biology	C
Chemistry	D
Geography	C

Awards

Duke of Edinburgh –Bronze 2016
Duke of Edinburgh – Silver 2017
Duke of Edinburgh – Gold 2019

Previous Employment

Waiter – Royal Oak, Aubourn (July 2019 – September 2019)

Key Skills

- Cope well under pressure in an extremely fast paced environment.
- Confident and well-developed social skills from dealing with customers on a regular basis.
- Excellent working in a team which was essential to provide a prompt service to customers.
- Professional and with good etiquette in a hardworking setting.

Hobbies/Interests

- Play football weekly with my friends at the local leisure centre.
- Regularly play tennis and squash – trying for the SHU Tennis team.
- Volunteer at my local tennis club
- Enjoy programming in my spare time creating games and other applications

References

Personal tutor: Jamie Hufford, Sheffield Hallam University, S1 1WB, j.hufford@shu.ac.uk

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