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### **Personal Profile**

I am a hardworking, determined Computer Science student who is always looking to gain new experiences. I enjoy taking on new challenges and learning new ways to approach and solve problems. I am currently undertaking my master's degree at Liverpool Hope University for Advanced Computer Science. I am searching for opportunities that can benefit my future career.

### **Education**

#### **Liverpool John Moores University, 09/2018 – 06/2021**

BSc (Hons) Computer Science – Class 1 (70%)

Relevant Modules:

Dissertation – Exploring how Recommendation Systems can aid individuals with Culinary Planning (68%)

Introduction to Programming (95%)

Computer Systems (82%)

Computer Science Workshop (70%)

Introduction to Internet and Web Development (73%)

Knowledge Based Systems (80%)

Professional Issues (81%)

Database Systems (71%)

Computer Science Applications (78%)

Graphics and Data Visualisation (70%)

#### **Blessed Thomas Holford Catholic College and Sixth Form, 09/2011 – 06/2018**

A-levels: 3 GCE A-levels in Maths (B), Computer Science (C) and Physics (C)

GCSE's: 10 GCSE's grades A\*-B including grade A\* in English Literature and B in Maths

### **Technical Skills**

- 3 years' experience in Java programming – Eclipse Oxygen, methods and classes, File manipulation, selection and repetition. Created an eGym System in Java as a side project.
- 3 years' Experience with version control using GitHub, used for projects during university and for side projects outside of university.
- Python programming - utilising classes, subroutines, and modules such as SQLite3, Pygame and Matplotlib.
- Functional programming in Hope Interpreter – utilising polymorphic, recursive, and higher order functions as well as lambda expressions.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office applications such as Word, PowerPoint, Excel, and Access.

- Database skills – creating tables, procedures and triggers in databases using MySQL as well as implementing NetBeans which extends the usability of the SQL code.
- Web Development skills – using HTML and PHP to create a website for game reviews, utilising Cascading Style Sheets and JSON files to import data to the website.
- Experience with virtual machines, using VirtualBox to create a virtual environment using Linux

### **Additional Skills**

- Management skills have improved at University by using a time planner to give me enough time to complete certain tasks so I can submit my work in respectable time.
- Work well under pressure due to increased University deadlines, as I had to hand in work for multiple modules and needed to balance all my modules in order to get everything completed on time.
- Organise time commendably because of having multiple modules that need to be completed at specific times.
- Analysing user requirements for the project in the Computer Science Workshop module e.g., making the program autonomous and more efficient than the current model.
- Developing existing programs by analysing and identifying areas for modification in University modules.
- Team working skills were enhanced when I was appointed as the leader of the Artificial Intelligence project for the Computer Science Workshop module.

### **Work Experience**

#### **The Christie NHS IT Department, June 2017**

- Worked with the team to image new computers for the staff, assign new devices to the database, and shadowing a Python Programmer.

#### **Blessed Thomas Holford Sixth Form IT Department, June 2017**

- Organised workloads and managed time efficiently by prioritising tasks.
- Co-ordinated effectively with different individuals to ensure the processes were successful.

### **Past Employment**

#### **Matalan – General Sales Assistant, June 2019 – July 2019**

- Assisting customers with queries and any help they may need.
- Ensuring the shop floor is safe for customers.
- Restocking products from the warehouse to the shop floor for customers.
- Interpersonal skills with customers, managers and colleagues.

### **Interests and Hobbies**

- A student member of the British Computer Society.
- Completed the JP Morgan Chase Software Engineering Virtual Program.
- Passion for Java programming.
- Passionate about technology and computing devices, added components to my laptop such as M.2 SSDs, as well as adding a GPU and CPU cooler to my desktop PC.
- Created a zombie map for the digital game Black Ops 3 with university colleagues.
- Passion for fitness and powerlifting.

## **Digital Code Portfolio**

GitHub account: <https://github.com/Sean-404>

## **References**

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