

Career Objective

A conscientious self starter with great enthusiasm and determination to succeed. Hard working, reliable and resourceful with excellent organizational and communication skills. Creative with an eye for detail, a team player with the ability to adapt quickly to new situations, I am a problem solver, always coming up ideas and solutions to make everyday life that bit easier.

Currently I am pursuing a degree in Interaction Design at Ulster University Belfast, Realising my passion for UI/UX and Front End Web Development, I changed course when successfully completing first year in Software Engineering in 2018 at Ulster University Jordanstown. I am a keen designer with a passion for all things UX, seeking work experience to support my aspirations to one day become a UI/UX Designer.

Working Knowledge

Skills

HTML,

CSS,

User Research,

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SQL, Usability Testing, Illustration,

UI Design, Concept Generation, Web Design, Concept Development,

Mobile Design Branding.

Tools Pen & Paper, InVision,

Github, Adobe Photoshop,

Brackets, MySQL,
Sketch, Visual Basic,
Adobe Illustrator, Code Blocks,

Adobe XD, Altium PCB Designer.

Other Skills

I have been teaching myself Java Script, ReactJS,

(Self Taught)

AngularJS and Sass using online courses. I build and

repair all types of Electronic Devices eg. computers,

mobile phones, televisions, laptops.

Certifications MTA: Database Fundamentals - Certified 2018

Altium Designer, Premier EDA Solutions - Certified 2016

Achievements and Awards

2016 World Skills UK National Gold Medal Winner, Catagory - Industrial Electronics

In 2016 I competed in The World Skills Competition held in Bermingham's NEC. The experience was exhilarating; four days of intense competition with other learners and apprentices, in front of thousands of people truly tested my ability and passion to succeed.

2017 SEMTA Special Recognition Award

In 2017 I was invited to the Semta Skills Awards held in London where I received an award of special recognition for my accomplishments in the World Skills.

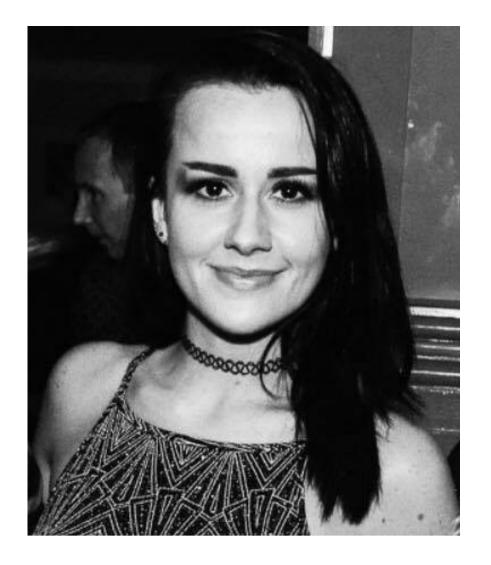
2018 Citi Spire - Female Student mentoring Programme and Work Experience Week

I was mentored for by a female senior software engineer for 6 weeks, gaining insight into the different aspects and roles of the business, I worked with a team of other female students completing workshops and developing relationships with them and Citi employees.

Interests

Improving my knowledge in the IT Industry by staying up to date with the latest Tech news, I follow many tech companies and people in industry on twitter, linkedin and instagram. Teaching myself new skills, and pushing boundries to test my capabilities.

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"I'm focussed on creating meaningful experiences that make life easier through design."

Education

BEng Hons Interaction Design, Ulster University 2018-2021

Year 2 Modules:

Creative Entrepneurship
Designing with Content
Designing User Experiences
Narrative and Storytelling

Year I Modules:

Interaction Design fundamentals
Introduction to Communication
Design
Exploring Identity

Imaging and Data Visualisation

BEng Hons Software Engineering, Ulster University 2017-2018

Year I Modules:
Computer Technologies
Introduction to Databases
Programming I
Academic Skills for Computing
Professional Awareness
Mathematics for Computing

BTEC Level 3 Ext Diploma Engineering, Belfast Metropolitan College

Year: 2015-2017 Grade: D*D*D*

BTEC Level 2 First Diploma Engineering, Belfast Metropolitan College

Year: 2014-2015 Grade: D*D*D

Work Experience

Hospitality & Management Sector: 2006 – 2019

Referee

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