

## **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 technology.

## **Working Knowledge**

Skills HTML, CSS,

CSS, User Research, SQL, Usability Testing, Illustration,

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

Market research,

Code Blocks,

Mobile Design Branding.

**Tools** Pen & Paper, InVision,

Github, Adobe Photoshop,
Brackets, MySQL,
Sketch, Visual Basic,

Adobe XD, Altium PCB Designer.

Other Skills

I have been teaching myself Java Script, ReactJS, AngularJS

(Self Taught)

and Sass using online courses. I build and repair all types

of Electronic Devices eg. computers, mobile phones,

televisions, laptops.

Adobe Illustrator,

**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**

## BDes Hons Interaction Design, Ulster University 2018-2021

Year 2 Modules: Creative Entrepneurship Designing with Content Designing User Experiences Narrative and Storytelling

Year 1 Modules:
Interaction Design fundamentals
Introduction to Communication Design
Exploring Identity
Imaging and Data Visualisation

## BEng Hons Software Engineering, Ulster University 2017-2018

Year 1 Modules:
Computer Technologies
Introduction to Databases
Programming 1
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

Hospitality & Management Sector: 2006 – 2020

### Referee

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