Costanza Maria Improta

UK's Top 10 Computer Science Undergraduate of 2018 by TARGETjobs and FDM

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Programming Competencies

High Competence: Java

Python HTML5 & CSS3

Medium Competence:

PHP & MySQL JavaScript & JQuery

SQL C

OpenGL LaTeX

MatLab

SoapUI Django

Beginner:

ARM assembly

Verilog Scala

C++

Swift

Ruby

Drools

OS

Linux (Ubuntu) Mac OS X & iOS Windows Android

Tools

Azure Machine Learning Google Colaboratory AWS

MOOCs

CS229 CS231n CS224d fast.ai

Education

ETH Zürich 09/2019 - 06/2021

MSc in Computer Science - Visual Computing track

The University of Manchester

09/2015 - 06/2019

BSc in Computer Science with Industrial Experience - First Class Degree

Certificate of Excellence, awarded to top 10% of graduating students

- Third Year Project "A Dense Captioning Approach to generate a Descriptive Paragraph of an Image"
- CS Space developed a UoM room database, gaining experience in building/extending a data-heavy, web-based application, including restricting access to certain views
- Eventlite developed in a team a MVC web application for event management, using the Spring framework, Google and Twitter APIs.
- StendhalGame.org as part of a team of 6 students over 12 weeks, tested, debugged, built, developed and deployed a multi-user, multi-threaded, client-server open source game containing over 6000 Java classes and 1800 test cases using Eclipse, Git, Apache Ant, Jenkins and JUnit.
- ShelfShare implemented in a team a platform on which UoM students may securely trade their goods. Mainly worked on the front-end (HTML5, CSS3, Bootstrap) and coordinated my team tracking our progress on GitLab, Trello and Slack.
- Enjoyed ML, Symbolic AI (with NLP), Computer Graphics and Image Processing.
- Strong interest in Data Science and Computer Vision.

Beijing Normal University

03/2016 - 04/2016

Chinese Language and Culture

HSK Level 1 exam: 100%

• Three-week study course funded by the UK government and UoM.

St. George's British International School of Rome

01/2014 - 06/2015

International Baccalaureate

IB points: 39 (Top 10 % of worldwide students taking IB in 2015)

- Higher: Maths, Physics, English; Standard: Computer Science, Economics, Italian.
- Extended Essay (A) on Cryptography.

Work Experience

Software Engineer

07/2017 - 07/2018

ISA Software, Paris, France

ISA Software is an Air Traffic Management Consultancy Company.

- Researched and evaluated ML models to reliably predict air traffic collisions.
- Developed and shipped an interactive simulation tool to display and analyse air traffic.
- Developed an automated track analysis and anomaly detection tool.
- Actively participated in meetings with clients.

Web Developer, Business Analyst, Italian Interpreter

07/2016 - 08/2016

Wyng43, Hong Kong, HK

- . Wyng43 is a Hong-Kong-based angel investing company where I interned for two months.
 - Designed and developed from scratch Wyng43's website.
 - Facilitated the communication between Urban Spring and potential Italian partners.
 - In a team, devised a functioning business model for a self-sustained Hong Kong University Challenge sponsored by BlueSky.
 - In a team, proposed and implemented a model to reduce electricity consumption in their office by 30%.

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Qualifications

Google Developer Challenge Scholarship

> Bertelsmann Data Science Challenge Scholarship

Women Techmaker

LANGUAGES

Italian:

Native speaker

English: IELTS

CAE **French**:

DELF B1

German:

A2

Chinese:

Α1

COMPUTER SCIENCE

IBM UTC Prize UK's Top 10 CS Undergraduate of 2018

MATHEMATICS

"Best in Year" & "Silver" in UKTM (2013) "Best in School" in Giochi Matematici 2012

OTHERS

Computer Science, Italian and English "Best in Year" awards at SGBIS in 2015

Hackathons

Google HashCode UCL Data Science Student Challenge

Given talks

IBAEM Regional Conference 2014

Volunteering & relevant activities

PASS 1 Coordinator 07/2018 - 06/2019

The University of Manchester School of Computer Science

- Managed PASS sessions for 250+ year one students and their second year leaders.
- Led and ran debrief sessions for second year PASS leaders to help them develop and improve their mentoring sessions.
- This improved organizational, communication and public speaking skills.

STEM Ambassador

STEMNET

01/2016 - 06/2019

- Organised activities and talks to inspire young students to pursue a career in a scientific subject and to narrow down the gender gap by engaging girls too.
- Worked both in a team and on my own, which gave me the chance to improve my organisational, communication and oratorical skills.

HackSoc Event Organizer

09/2018 - present

HackSoc at The University of Manchester School of Computer Science

• Organised events aiming to bring students and tech industry closer together.

Student Ambassador, Welcome Hero & HelpDesk Assistant

09/2016 - 06/2019

The University of Manchester

- Was a reference point for the new students, pointing them in the right direction and making them feel welcome.
- Worked in close contact with members of Academic Staff during Interview Days, talking to prospective students about my current experience, taking them for a tour of the building and answering related questions.
- Through this, I developed leadership, communication and customer service skills.

PASS Leader 09/2016 - 06/2017

The University of Manchester School of Computer Science

 Along with my co-leader, held weekly one-hour meetings with a group of tutees from the year below, supporting their learning process through visual or kinaesthetic activities and giving advice relative to university or life issues. My leadership and communication skills benefited from this.

Treasurer 05/2016 - 06/2017

The University of Manchester Photography Society

- · Managed the society finances and ensure they are spent in the most efficient way.
- Minuted all the transactions the society carries out and plot down budgets.
- · Designed and developed the society website, and managed its social media profiles.

Manchester Robot Orchestra

11/2015 - 2016

Manchester European City of Science 2016

• Participated in the designing phase - my role was to brainstorm about the various tools and technologies that could be used in order to be time and cost-efficient. This project has also featured contributions from Siemens and The Halle Orchestra.