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### **Education and Qualifications**

#### Victoria University – BE (Hons) Software Engineering

2016 - 2020

**2017** - GPA of **9.0/9.0**, A+ in all courses SO FAR (4.0/4.0 US GPA).

#### 2016

- GPA of **9.0/9.0**, A+ in all courses (4.0/4.0 US GPA).
- Faculty of Engineering Deans Merit List.
- Excellence Scholarship.

### Onslow College - NZQA

2013 - 2015

2015 (Level 3)

- Achieved with excellence (70E, 29M, 4A).
- Estimated ATAR of **99.85**<sup>1</sup>.
- Subjects: Digital Tech Computer Science & Media, Calculus, Physics, Economics.

#### 2013 & 2014 (Levels 1 & 2)

- Achieved with excellence. (93E, 9M, 22A) & (54E, 42M, 35A).

### Work History

### Victoria University – Faculty of Engineering

2017 - Present

Supervising labs for COMP102, addressing students and assisting students with questions related to assignments.

Weekly meetings with course co-ordinator and head of tutors to discuss upcoming labs and marking.

Marking student's assignments and providing feedback on their performance, code style and bugs.

#### **UPS Power Solutions Ltd**

2014 - Present

Dismantling and removal of old UPSs<sup>2</sup> from sites such as Weta Workshops & Fairfax Media.

Assisting in construction of houses and surrounds. Installing insulation (floor & wall), drywall, concrete mixing and moulding, painting, staining and lawn mowing.

### PMP Distribution – Paper Run

2009 - 2014

## Profile

I am a full-time second year student studying software engineering at Victoria University with interests in many areas including game development, graphics and in the future, AI (Only available  $3^{rd}/4^{th}$  year). I am a very driven individual with a strong academic record both in secondary school and currently at university. I enjoy almost all areas of software engineering but have had little paid experience to develop my tastes. Looking for a role in a progressive, cutting edge company where I can fully apply and grow my skills.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Using this website: nz.crimsonconsulting.org/ncea-converter

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Uninterruptable Power Supply. Freestanding unit that provides power in the event of a power cut.

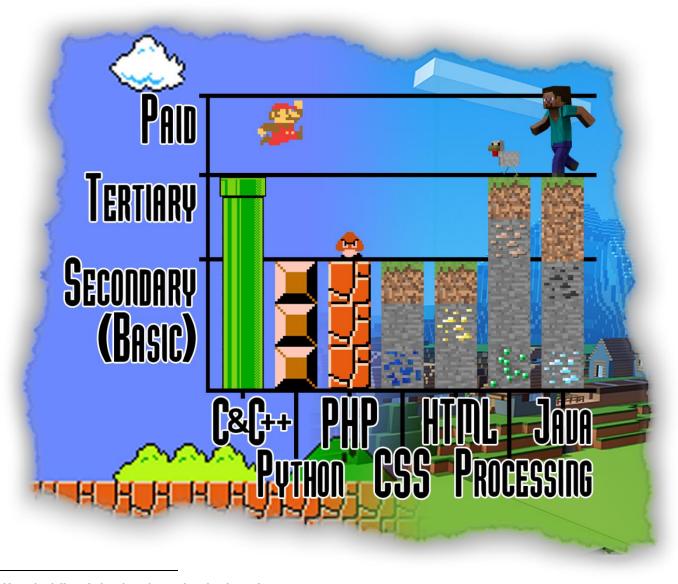
# **Projects**

- There are numerous assignments from COMP261 that are complex and demonstrate a wide array of my skills. These include shortest path algorithms, 3-D rendering, parsing, string searching and compression. My solutions have all been uploaded to GitHub. These are completed assignments so please handle discretely.
- QR Scanner is a personal project that uses ZXing to scan a wide array of barcode types and nicely displays
  the output for supported QR types. I started this project in my own time to start learning how to develop
  apps for Android, an area I am interested in.
- TankWars was the final assignment for a computer graphics paper I took in 2016. It is heavily inspired by the online game 'Tank Trouble'. It is a good example of my ability to program using multiple classes and interfaces. There are still several features I wish to add to it.

### Interests

- PC Gaming: I love playing games, exploring new worlds, creating new things, getting invested in rich story narratives and playing online with friends. The first game I played was Age of Empires 2 and I haven't looked back since. Steam profile: steamcommunity.com/id/hacksparrow.
- Computer Hardware: I enjoy keeping up to date with the latest consumer hardware. I can build PCs and to date have built 5+. I am frequently asked to provide purchase recommendations to family and friends.
- Exercising: I train about 5-6 times a week and enjoy going to the gym, cycling, running. I also rowed throughout my college years.

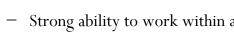
# Programming Language Experience<sup>3</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Self-taught skills include, Photoshop and Android Development.

### Soft Skills

### Teamwork & Leadership



- Strong ability to work within a team and when required, lead.
- A good example of this is the SCARA arm group assignment of 2016 where I took a leadership position.
- Overall the group achieved a mark of 96% for the performance of our SCARA arm.

#### Trainable

- I can quickly understand new concepts independently or with the assistance of teammates.
- Evidence of this is the AVC group assignment of 2016 which in which we used GitHub and C++ for the first time.
- Completed with a mark of 75% and I achieved 100% on my related individual report.

### Organising and planning

- Very organised and plan well in advance for events, assignments and other commitments.
- This is shown by my high level of university performance while working both as a tutor and manual labourer for UPS power solutions.

### Independent

- Independent, highly driven and motivated. I can independently write cohesive, reliable and tested code.
- Demonstrated by my Android QR scanner project that I started in the summer holidays of 2016/2017.
- The result is a reliable QR scanner that uses ZXing to support and display the results of a large amount of different barcode formats.

### Performance Driven

- I take great pride in delivering my very best performance whether it be for academic or paid work.
- Shows in many aspects of my life including my academic results from NCEA onwards.









### Referees

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