Career Timeline: Harry **Fitzgerald**

My time at Portsmouth has helped me infinitely in my career. Not only have I had the opportunity to learn to program as a part of my course, but I've also been a part of the IT Society for the past 3 years. This has helped me by teaching me to work in well in teams, as well to develop in a professional environment. I build the society's website - itsoc.tech when I was under the roles of 'web developer - frontend' and 'web sec'. I've since been voted in as president, and am excited to see where this goes!

Enroll at **South Downs College** to study **Computing**, Use of Maths, Physics & Psychology

Matriculate in to **Portsmouth** on MEng Computer Science

Complete college with BCC in Computing, Mathematics and Physics

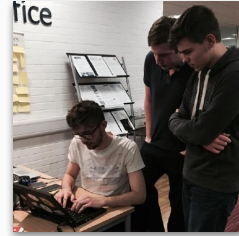Apply for 4 placements; land a role as a developer at **Eli Lilly**

2018
Now

Leave placement after 14 months, back to university for one more year!

2017

2015

2012

Complete Year 2, averaging 86% over Y1 & Y2

My placement year at Lilly has, without a shadow of a doubt, been the best year I've spent. I've learnt so much here, not only about working in a team of developers, but how to grow myself as a person.

Working in a team of developers has taught me to share a heavy workload with a number of people, and how to do it efficiently. I've learnt how to launch production applications, program with fullstack tools and how to manage a team proactively.

Not only have my skills as a software engineer grown exponentially, but I've grown as a person. I've had the opportunity to lead different projects, such as a 2 week web development training course. I've also been able to practise my presentation skills too; presenting in front of a crowd is something that I've dreaded since I've started. Since, I've run numerous lunch and learns, given a talk at an internal conference and even presented to a crowd of developers at a developer meetup!