

Ben Wilkinson

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Personal Statement

A highly motivated and passionate computing student currently studying HNC Level 4 Computing at Boston College (not yet achieved), aspiring to establish a career in Cyber Security. With hands-on experience in IT support, troubleshooting, and assisting individuals with technical issues, I am eager to expand my knowledge and practical skills within the industry. My goal is to secure a position where I can apply my technical expertise while continuously developing my abilities in cybersecurity and IT support.

Work Experience

IT Work Experience

Boston College IT Department (08/10/21 – 15/10/21)

- Assisted in auditing computers across the college, verifying names, and reporting faulty systems.

Giles Academy IT Department (25/11/19 – 09/12/19)

- Completed 30-45 hours of IT support, including replacing keyboards, mice, and resolving technical issues.
- Assisted staff and students with troubleshooting basic computer and software problems.

Unique Products UK (IT Work Experience) (2024)

- Gained insight into website management and database administration while assisting the IT team.
- Provided support with minor technical issues related to internal IT systems.

Freelance Tech Support & Troubleshooting (Ongoing)

- Regularly assist friends, family, and local contacts with computer troubleshooting, software installation, and system optimisations.
- Help individuals with setting up new devices and resolving basic IT problems.

Additional Work Experience

Unique Products UK – Dispatcher (10/01/24 - 03/04/24)

- Printed labels, sorted orders, and managed shipments via different courier services.

Tesco – Festive Colleague (27/10/23 - 23/12/23)

- Responsible for stock replenishment and maintaining store presentation.

Pizza Hut – Back of House Team Member (21/04/23 - 22/10/23)

- Maintained kitchen operations, prepared and served food, and ensured cleanliness and stock availability.

Marks and Spencer – Christmas Temp (04/12/22 - 24/12/22)

- Stock replenishment and assisting with customer needs.

Lymn Bank Cheese Co (27/11/21 – 04/12/21)

- Assisted in cheese packaging, quality control, and production line operations.
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Education & Qualifications

Boston College (2024 - Present)

- Currently studying BTEC Higher National Certificate in Computing for England Level 4 (*Not yet achieved*)

Boston College (2021 - 2022)

- BTEC National Extended Diploma in Computing Level 3 – DMM

Boston College (2020 - 2021)

- BTEC National Foundation Diploma in Computing Level 3 – Pass
- GCSE English – Grade 5
- GCSE Maths – Grade 4

Boston College (2019 - 2020)

- BTEC First Extended Certificate in Information and Creative Technology Level 2 – MM

Skegness TEC (Grimsby Institute) (2018 - 2019)

- BTEC Level 1/2 First Award – Merit
 - NCFE Functional Skills Qualification in Mathematics – Entry Level 3
 - Pearson Edexcel GCSE English Language – Grade 3 (*Spoken Language Pass*)
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Certifications

- Microsoft Security Fundamentals SC-900 – Pass
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Technical Skills

- Programming Languages: HTML, CSS, C#, Python

- **IT & Cybersecurity:** PC Building, Troubleshooting, Basic Network Security
 - **Software Proficiency:** Microsoft Office Suite, Website Management
 - **Tech Support & Troubleshooting:** Assisting users with hardware/software issues, system setup, and IT problem-solving
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Hobbies & Interests

- **Cybersecurity**
 - **Gaming & Esports**
 - **Formula 1 Enthusiast**
 - **Science Fiction & Technology Trends**
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References

Available upon request.