

Personal Description

I maintain a high standard of work and value doing what is right above my own success.

You should find me to be a fast learner, an initiative taker, honest, adaptable, and responsible.

Qualifications and Skills

I hold a [Bachelor of Science](#) majoring in biochemistry, which I obtained from the University of Otago. I also did a few university papers in [computer science](#), including software engineering, advanced web development, and others. I then did research for about 9 months.

I have upskilled in my free time in a variety of programming disciplines. Most recently, I helped create a Node.js REST API for a car sales website, integrating the website with Xero's API.

Please see my [personal website](#) to view some of the programming projects I have completed: <https://ifoulidis.vercel.app/>. They showcase use of the following languages and frameworks:

Web development—Next.js, React, Node.js, HTML, CSS, etc.

Data analysis—Python (Pandas, Numpy, Matplotlib).

Mobile development—React Native and Typescript.

You can also visit my [GitHub page](#) to see some of my code directly: <https://github.com/ifoulidis?tab=repositories> (the data analysis code is on my website).

Employment History

I held a position at Sociable as a [ghost writer](#). In that role I produced a novel single-handedly, and edited co-worker's material. Sociable went into hiatus after the founder became CEO of the Queensland Writer's Institute.

For the past few years, I have worked as a [Freelance English Editor and Specialist Editor](#) at MDPI.

This requires careful compliance with strict company standards, broad knowledge of scientific and archaic terminology, a meticulous eye, detailed understanding of my specialties (biochemistry, microbiology, chemistry), and quick thinking (productivity-based work).

While in this job, I created a VB macro in my own time to speed up the paper submission process for all other editors, along with simple macros to catch common errors in Word and LaTeX.

I have an excellent record of feedback from my manager, as I have been both a careful editor and 'very reliable' in her words.

Awards

I received a Summer Studentship research scholarship with Sigurd Wilbanks.

In 2018, I was welcomed into the Otago University Biochemistry Department's Honours programme due to my grades.

At school, my team won a national competition, and I won several academic trophies.

Hobbies/Interests

They include reading, writing, playing guitar, Brazilian Jiu Jitsu, and exercise.

References

Please see the next page for a letter from a manager in my current company.

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To Whom It May Concern,

Isaiah Foulidis has been working for MDPI, a publisher of open-access scientific journals, since October 2018. His role as Freelance English Editor of academic research papers includes ensuring manuscripts reach the highest levels of quality, at a standard ready to be published by MDPI. This includes preserving the intended meaning of the authors as much as possible and highlighting certain changes for the author to review because of the level of legibility of the original text.

As this position is remote, all contact has been through email communication, and the following evaluation has been made based on the work he has completed since working for MDPI.

Isaiah completes work at a consistent level of proficiency. He has a sharp eye for detail, catching the smallest of errors, and understanding highly specialized topics, such as in the sciences (e.g., biology and life sciences, environmental and earth sciences, medicine and pharmacology and public health and health care) and the humanities (e.g., social sciences and arts), indicating his strong grasp of the English language. He has been completing work at a steady pace, and within the deadlines specified, often returning work within hours of being assigned. He manages his workload effectively by committing to a certain amount of work each day and meeting those targets.

In my experience working with Isaiah, I would be happy to recommend him as a reliable, efficient employee working to very high standards.

Yours sincerely,

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