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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF STRATHCLYDE

Glasgow, Scotland

3rd Year BSc Software Engineering

Sep 2023 - Jun 2027 (Expected)

Passed First and Second Year with Distinction on the Dean's List

Relevant Modules: Data Structures & Algo, Agile SWE (with JPMorgan), Computer Systems & Architecture

EXPERIENCE

PropEco

Hybrid, Glasgow, Scotland

Fullstack Software Engineer

Apr 2025 - Aug 2025

- Deployed a **self-hosted Large Language Model (LLM)** on **AWS EC2** with **Docker**, reducing third-party API costs by ~50% saving ~£300/month, and improving data privacy and control.
- Built a report ordering and automatic PDF generation system using Stripe, Puppeteer, and API key authentication, enabling seamless paid data access.
- Developed embeddable widgets for client websites to display live company API data, enhancing customer engagement and driving traffic back to the core platform.
- Implemented user engagement features including OTP authentication, welcome emails, and automated CRON notifications, improving onboarding and retention.
- Created an internal schema validation tool and GitHub Actions for auto-deploy, accelerating dev workflows and reducing deployment time by ~40%.

Poland 2.0

Remote

Frontend Software Engineer

Feb 2025 - Present

- Integrated internationalisation (i18n) support using Lingui, enabling full bilingual functionality in English and Polish across the website.
- Designed and developed a **dynamic blog system** with **markdown support**, allowing the marketing team to **publish and manage 100% of the content** independently.
- Optimised website performance by implementing lazy loading and next-gen image formats (WebP), reducing image load times by ~45% and improving Lighthouse performance score by 5+ points.
- Achieved WCAG 2.1 AA compliance, improving Lighthouse accessibility scores from 65% to 100% and meeting sponsor contractual requirements.

PERSONAL PROJECTS

Portfolio Website (NextJS) | <u>iszama.dev</u>

A responsive portfolio website built with NextJS, featuring Framer Motion animations.

Muscle Memory - Workout Tracker and Planner Web App (MERN Stack) | GitHub | Website

Created a scalable MERN-stack web app used for personalised workout planning, optimising user training with real-time tracking and analytics.

GestureBind - Gesture Recognition Desktop App (Electron, Python, MediaPipe, Flask) | GitHub

Developed an Electron desktop app with MediaPipe, enabling gesture-based interaction with 90% recognition accuracy and cross-platform compatibility while maintaining a low resource usage.

Promptly - Contextual AI Assistant Web Extension (Chrome Extension, Gemini, JavaScript)

Chrome extension that enables seamless interaction with AI by allowing users to highlight text or capture screenshots from web pages and instantly generate personalised AI responses.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Google Developer Group Glasgow - Organiser

Mar 2025 - Present

- Co-ordinated registration for the Google I/O Extended event, contributing to a smooth experience for 100+ attendees, supporting community engagement.
- Gathered and analysed participant feedback to improve event structure for future events.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages & Frameworks: Python, Java, SpringBoot, NextJS, React, JavaScript, TypeScript Tools & Libraries: AWS, Git, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, Docker, Postman, JUnit, Mockito Languages: English and Polish natively