# Kieren Davies | Curriculum Vitæ

#### **Education**

**International School of Hout Bay** 

IGCSE, International Certificate of Education with Distinction 2007–2008

Highest mark in South Africa for Mathematics

Highest mark in South Africa for Physics

Highest mark in South Africa for Information Technology

International Baccalaureate, 35 points 2009–2010

Highest Achievement in Mathematics

Highest Achievement in Physics

**University of Cape Town** 

B.Sc. Mathematics and Computer Science (expected) 2011–2014

Dean's merit list

# **Work Experience**

SKA Africa Cape Town

Science processing intern

Dec 2010–Feb 2011

Analysed data from the KAT7 radio telescope to search for unusual phenomena.

Praekelt Foundation Cape Town

Jul 2011

Software developer intern

Implemented a Bayesian filter for user content, to be integrated with mobile web portal Young Africa Live.

RightShift Cape Town

Software developer intern Sep 2011

Optimised the stochastic behaviour of online casino games.

Teach Me 2 Cape Town

Software developer intern Dec 2011–Feb 2012

Developed a stand-alone web application offering templated PDF generation.

Krit Cape Town

Software developer intern

Jun 2012–Jul 2012

Developed utilities for keyword extraction from user-written reviews.

Facebook Menlo Park, California

Software engineer intern Dec 2012–Feb 2013

Developed internal tools for Hadoop Distibuted File System.

Amazon Cape Town

Software development engineer intern

Jun 2013–Jul 2013

Integrated internal tools into a web frontend.

Software development engineer intern Nov 2013–Feb 2014

Developed a framework and automated service for metric aggregation and reporting.

Oracle Cape Town

Software developer intern Jun 2014–Jul 2014

Developed a Vagrant plugin to use Oracle Cloud as a virtualization provider.

## **Achievements**

Primary Mathematics World Contest South African team	Hong Kong 2005
UCT Mathematics Olympiad  Gold award	2006–2010
Interprovincial Mathematics Olympiad Western Cape team	2006–2009
South African Mathematics Olympiad Finalist	2007–2010
Eskom Science Expo Silver medal	2006
Gold medal	2008
<b>South African Computer Olympiad</b> <i>Finalist</i>	2009
Silver medal	2010
International Olympiad in Informatics South African team	Pattaya, Thailand 2011
<b>ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest</b> <i>World finalist</i>	<b>Yekaterinburg, Russia</b> 2014

# **Community Involvement**

#### **UCT Algorithm Circle**

Deputy chair, volunteer lecturer

2009-2013

Student society aimed at spreading interest and knowledge of advanced computer science, with weekly classes on various topics.

### The Shuttleworth Lab

Committee member, administrator

2012

#### Umonya

Volunteer

2011-2013

Non-profit organisation which hosts free courses on Python programming for high school students.

## **South African Computer Olympiad**

Scientific committee

2011-2012

Setting problems and managing all technical aspects of the contest.

## **International Olympiad in Informatics**

Montichiari, Italy

Deputy team leader

2012