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MEng, Computer Science with Innovation

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# **SUMMARY**

As a forward-thinking Masters student specialising in Computer Science with Innovation, my passion for design thinking and Human-Computer Interaction drives my academic pursuits and professional aspirations. I bring to the table a dynamic blend of determination. creativity, and a robust track record of collaborative project delivery within diverse team settings.

## **SKILLS**

User-Research Design, Multi-disciplinary Personal:

Teamwork, Pitching, Design & Systems

Thinking

Languages: Python, C, Java, Git, Scripting (Bash), La-

TeX, HTML, Scikit-learn, OpenCV

Software Linux, Photoshop, Illustrator, Lightroom,

Figma, Sketchup

#### **PROJECTS**

**Pubs on Tap** 2020 - Present

Skills: Co-founding,

Leadership,

Agile

· Co-founded and spearheaded the creation of Pubs on Tap, an innovative app aimed at empowering local pubs to unlock their full potential and expand their clientele.

Entrepreneurship, · Conceptualised the product and oversaw the dynamic collaboration of a team of developers to bring the vision to life.

· Leveraged a diverse skill set encompassing strategic planning, market research, fundraising, and agile project management to navigate the challenging terrain of startup development, ensuring the successful development.

· Orchestrated a successful launch, achieving a notable milestone by securing the 123rd position in the App Store shortly after its release.

# **Dronecloud Live**

December 2023 - May 2023

Skills: Multidisciplinarycollaboration, Design Thinking, • User-centred design, Client Communication

- · Closely collaborated with in an interdisciplinary team of six-members, delivering a meticulously planned solution that prioritised user-centred design to address an existing gap in our client's (Dronecloud) product.
- Exemplified effective communication skills by establishing and maintaining a robust dialogue with our client, throughout the project's lifecycle. This continuous and transparent communication ensured that their feedback and evolving requirements were seamlessly integrated into the design process, resulting in a product that closely aligned with their vision and needs.
- · Iteratively traversed the Double Diamond design process to develop our solution and design professional user-friendly prototypes for the new branch of their product.
- · Employed various testing methods to ensure the product's long-term viability and to further optimise both product adoption and the overall user experience.

## **Objects for Clumsy Encounters - Toweing Tetris**

September 2022 - December 2022

Skills: Creativity, 3D Printing, Sprints, Teamwork. Prototyping

- · Embarked on an 8-week sprint to design an ice-breaker game tailored for individuals with dementia in care homes, with the primary goal of fostering a sense of unity within the group.
- · Collaborated within a six-member, multi-disciplinary team, following the principles of Agile development, to conceive the innovative "Towering Tetris" game. This concept involved participants strategically stacking blocks to accomplish predefined tasks.
- Employed user-centered design principles, combining 3D-printed game pieces and an Illustrator-crafted game board, resulting in a holistic game experience. This effort earned our creation the esteemed title of "Most Fun Game" within our cohort.

#### Scotland Yard Al Board Game

Dec 2021 - May 2022

Skills: Programming, Al development, • Testing

- Created a digital rendition of the board game "Scotland Yard", utilising iterative algorithms, such as Dijkstra and Mini-Max, to design competitive Al opponents.
- Devised a comprehensive scoring system, to evaluate the efficacy of the Al's variable parameters, effectively training them to increasing the value of game play.
- · Additionally, designed a system to generate immutable game-states, allowing for swift testing of the game's features and mechanics.

#### **EDUCATION**

## **MEng, Computer Science with Innovation**

**University of Bristol** 

2021 - 2025

A unique degree offering a blend of computer science modules, such as Machine Learning, and Image Processing, with award winning innovative, multi-disciplinary, units such as Design and Systems Thinking and New Venture Creations.

ALevels: Computer Science, Maths, Physics, EPQ

**Cabot Learning Federation** 

2018 - 2020

Achieved grades A\*, A, B, A, respectively

13 GCSE's in Varying Subjects

**Bristol Brunel Academy** 

2013 - 2018

Achieved 13 GCSE's, grades ranging from A\* to C.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## **Currys, Supervisor (Management Team)**

September 2019 - Present

Skills: Management, Budgeting, Collaboration, Adaptability

- Demonstrated proficiency in leadership, motivation, and training of a 20-member team, alongside effective management of budgeting and resource allocation, encompassing hiring and investigative processes.
- · Showcased robust communication skills, fostering a seamless business operation by effectively bridging gaps and enhancing collaboration among cross-functional teams.
- · Proven ability to thrive under high-pressure conditions in a fast-paced, high-intensity retail environment, demonstrating adaptability to optimise profits.
- Consistently demonstrated a keen eye for detail and applied strong analytical and problem-solving skills to deliver positive resolutions for complex customer issues.

## Connected Places Catapult, Rail Innovation Research

October 2022 - April 2023

Skills: User-Centered Research.

· Conducted an independent, user-centered research project, delivering actionable insights for innovative solutions for a local train station tailored to the specific needs of a community stakeholder.

Presenting, Stakeholder

Engagement

- Design Thinking, Utilised design thinking methods, including journey maps, to design and facilitate the recruitment of participants for semi-structured interviews, ensuring the collection of comprehensive, in-depth data.
  - Conducted a thematic analysis of interview findings, employing persona and thematic categorisation techniques to derive actionable insights.
  - Delivered a 30-minute presentation followed by a Q&A session to a diverse audience, including the CPC team, the local council, and Bristol Temple Quarter, taking place at CPC's headquarters in London.

# COMPETITIONS

# **Art Hackathon Winners - CSS Times**

February 2023

- Participated in a weekend-long Hackathon competition, where our team conceived and developed a satirical comedy website disquised as a student newspaper, humorously named 'CSS Times.'
- · 'CSS Times' provided a whimsical platform for lighthearted commentary and jests about the quirks of student life and university experiences.
- · Our creative efforts garnered enthusiastic reception for its innovative approach and unique content, ultimately securing the top prize in the 'Art' category of this Google-sponsored competition.