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Education

The University Of Auckland | Waipapa Taumata Rau
Bachelor of Science (BSc) majoring in Computer Science   February 2024 - November 2026
- **9.0/9.0 GPA** - **A+** average
- Currently in **Penultimate** year of study
- **First in COMPSCI 130** - Introduction to Software Fundamentals - **Python** Programming and **Algorithms and Data Structures**

Young Scholars Programme   February - June 2023
- **A+** in MATHS 199 - Advancing in Mathematics

Katikati College
NCEA Levels 1, 2, and 3, and NZ Scholarship   February 2017 - November 2023
- Achieved Outstanding Scholarship (**Top 27 Students**) in Biology, and Scholarship (**Top 236 Students**) in Physics
- **Dux** Award in 2023 for Highest Academic Achievement
- Gained NCEA Level 1 (2021), Level 2 and Level 3 (2022) endorsed with **Excellence**, including **100% Excellence** credits in Level 3

Relevant Experience

Research and Development Intern   November 2024 - February 2025
PGG Wrightson
- Developed an **industry-first**, statistically significant **computer vision** program with **OpenCV** and **NumPy** in **Python** to find kiwifruit size using **ToF RGB-D imaging** technology
- Completed a comprehensive **research project** including literature review, scientific report, and presentation
- Performed **data analysis** with **Excel** for experimental trials on kiwifruit biostimulants

Projects

Personal Portfolio Website - Github
- **Technologies:** React, Javascript, Sass, React Router, Motion
- Designed and developed a **responsive** website using **React**, and **Sass**, along with **Motion**, to display my experience, projects, skills, and further information about myself
- Deployed using **Vercel** and a custom domain

Spin Spot
- **Technologies:** Next.js, React, Typescript, Spotify API, Discogs API, Tailwind CSS, Motion
- Currently developing a **web application** to sync albums listened to on vinyl with Spotify listening data using **React** in **Typescript** within the **Next.js** framework, with **Tailwind CSS** used for styling and **Motion** extending animations
- Implemented authentication and searching using Spotify and Discogs external **APIs**

Sequence - Github
- **Technologies:** Python, Tkinter
- Developed a **GUI desktop application** for a Connect-4 style game according to the COMPSCI 130 assignment specifications
- Implemented a GUI using **Tkinter** and a game engine using **Python**

Technical Skills

Programming Languages: Python, Java, Javascript/Typescript, C, SQL, HTML, CSS, PHP, MATLAB, R
Frameworks and Libraries: React, Next.js, OpenCV, NumPy, Tailwind CSS, Sass, Bootstrap, Tkinter, JavaFX, Motion, Anime.js
Technologies: Visual Studio Code, Github, Excel
Driver's Licence: New Zealand Class 1 Full

Awards

- The University of Auckland **Top Achiever Scholarship** - valued at $25,000
- **First in COMPSCI 130** - Introduction to Software Fundamentals - **Python** Programming and **Algorithms and Data Structures**
- **Dux** of Katikati College 2023
- 2022 **First** in Level 3 Calculus and Digital Technology, and 2023 **First** in Level 3 Physics and Chemistry