



# Niall J. Paterson

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

## Details

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NATIONALITY

British

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## Links

[Development Portfolio](#)

[Github](#)

[LinkedIn](#)

## Skills

Git  
HTML5  
CSS3  
SCSS  
JavaScript  
Node.js  
React  
Jest  
Enzyme  
CICD Pipelines  
CLI (node, zsh)  
Technical Writing  
Teaching

## Hobbies

Analytic Philosophy  
Modal logic  
Weight training  
Folk Music  
Short fiction

## Profile

Analytic philosopher turned software developer with a passion for well tested development, agile management practices, and writing clean, functional code. Creative, inquisitive, and personable individual with strong problem solving skills.

## Employment History

### Trainee Software Developer, \_nology, Bristol

2020 – PRESENT

12 week self-funded intensive software development course taught by \_nology. Alongside knowledge of stack listed under 'skills', gained competence in clean coding principles, agile management practices, and well-structured use of source control. Gave 5 minute ted-style talk, ran session to group on conflict management in Git.

Worked alongside others on client project; for one project sprint ran daily scrum and facilitated communications with product owner. Gained experience in effective pair programming. Responsible for defining data structure, managing database, setting up CICD pipeline, and implementing ticketing dashboard functionality.

Alongside course self-taught CLI and scripting in zsh and node.js, contributed to open source javascript library 'svg.js' by proofreading documentation and correcting errors.

### Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Helsinki

2019 – 2020

Conducted independent and collaborate research, published papers in internationally ranked academic journals, refereed manuscripts, organised conferences, contributed written and verbal feedback to weekly project meetings, gave 7 talks at conferences held in Seville, Durham, Glasgow, Helsinki, the Basque County and Umea.

### Course Director, Royal Institute of Philosophy

2018 – 2019

Designed and delivered 12 week course on formal reasoning and contemporary themes in analytic philosophy to 20+ sixth form students at Wells Way School, Bristol.

### Editor in Philosophy, HARTS & Minds, Bristol

2016 – 2018

Oversaw manuscript submission, sought academic referees for submissions, worked closely with authors through copy editing and proofreading process.

### Teaching Assistant, University of Bristol

2015 – 2019

Led 15 seminars in Epistemology, Realism and Normativity, Metaphysics and Introduction to Philosophy, marked 100+ formative and summative exam and essay manuscripts, held feedback meetings to improve academic writing, taught lecture on naturalised epistemology.

## Education

### PhD, Philosophy, University of Bristol

2014 – 2019

Thesis title: 'Doxastic Dispositions: An Essay on the Metaphysics of Belief'. Supervisors: Prof. Alexander Bird (Cambridge), Dr. Jason Konek (Bristol).

- Chaired and coordinated work in progress graduate seminar; increased participation by 300%.
- Representative for postgraduate students and teaching assistants.
- Member of 'Minorities and Philosophy' Bristol chapter.
- Awarded over £1000 in research grants.
- Gave 16 talks including research presentations in Berkeley California, Lisbon, Amsterdam, Novara, Gothenberg, and Helsinki.

### BA Hons, Philosophy, University College London

2010 – 2013