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EDUCATION

University Of the West Of England
BSc Business Computing
2018 - 2021

Godalming College
2014 - 2016

Glebelands Secondary School
2009 - 2014

Personal Skills

- Highly Motivated
- Fast Independent Leaner
- Strong Teamwork Skills
- Responsible
- Logical and organised
- Self-Motivated and Driven
- Flexible
- Detail Oriented
- Good Time Management

REFERENCES

Available upon Request

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PROFILE

I recently graduated from "University of the West of England" in "Business Computing" with first-class honors. I'm a highly motivated and driven person, looking forward to further expanding my knowledge and skills in web development. In my spare time I enjoy, running, cycling, and other forms of exercise. As well as, playing competitive video games, traveling, and hiking. I hope to find a job in front-end development to further my understanding of the field as well as network with individuals surrounding it.

Paul Holt
UWE Business Computing Graduate

Education & Qualifications

University of the West of England
BSc (Hons) Business Computing | 2018– 2021

Modules Include: Business Applications, Information Technology, Understanding the Principles of Marketing, Understanding Organisations and People, Introduction to OO Systems Development, Project Management, The Information Practitioner 2, Data Schemas and Applications, Foundation of Business Analytics, Ethical and Professional Issues in Computing and Digital Media, Software Development Project (Dissertation), Sustainable Business and Computing, Requirements Engineering, Business Intelligence, and Data Mining, Security Management In Practice.

Technical Skills Include:
- *Java* - Main programming language learned in 1st year. Used to learn object-oriented development.
- *Python* – Learnt as a secondary language in 1st year.
- *HTML / CSS* – Strong understanding, used to create several websites including my dissertation.
- *JavaScript* – Strong understanding used extensively throughout my dissertation and other website projects.
- *PHP / MYSQL* **–** Strong understanding, used extensively for web-based projects.
- *MS Office* – Word, PowerPoint, Access, Excel.
- *Photoshop* – Used throughout to a high level for poster and graphic creation.

Godalming College
2014– 2016
Courses: Information Technology, Math, Politics
Grades: Distinction, C, C

Glebelands Secondary School
2009– 2014
GCSEs: 13 GCSEs at C and above including Maths, Science, and English

Relevant Projects

Go to www.pjholt.com for more information regarding my projects.

- **Exercise Web Companion (Final Year Dissertation):** For this project I created an exercise planning web app, using various technologies such as jQuery, fullCalandar.io, and Chart.js.
- **Twin Cities Project:** This project was my first proper website which, included making calls to various APIs, storing, and retrieving information from a MySQL database, and presenting information in a meaningful way.
- **Retail Rocket Analysis:** This project used machine learning and data analysis techniques to build conclusions then recommend items to users.
- **UWE ITS Review:** This project was my first proper website which, included making calls to various APIs, storing, and retrieving information from a MySQL database, and presenting information in a meaningful way.
- **Online Portfolio:** One of the larger personal projects I have worked on, creating this website to host my portfolio taught me a great deal about responsive desire and web hosting.

WORK EXPERIENCE

September 2016 – August 2018 |Peter Read Garden Maintenance
- Responsible for maintaining a clean and tidy job site.
- Responsible for the safety of colleagues, the general public, and traffic during situations with a high amount of risk.
- Required a large amount of concentration over long hours of repetitive high-risk work.

September 2014 – January 2015 |Marks & Spencer Retail Assistant and Sales.
- Responsible for handling a high volume of customer orders during Christmas.
- Responsible for organising temporary Christmas employees.

Additional Information

Memberships: Student member of the British Computer Society.
Academic awards: Achieved A First-Class Honours in my degree, with the highest mark of 89% in requirements Engineering and scoring 72% on my final year dissertation.
Other: Full, clean driving license.
References: Available upon request

Personal Statement

During my time studying, I learnt many universal skills including, how to be an independent learner, becoming a strong member of a team, from both a leadership perspective, and learning to cooperate well with others. Almost half of my academic time in university was spent in some form of lockdown due to the pandemic, initially, I thought this would seriously hinder my education, in fact, it was on the contrary. These circumstances offered a chance to learn how to cooperate with others in a purely online capacity. Structured meetings, learning, and a strong schedule was crucial to my success. In all group work I took some or all over the responsibility when it came to leading and managing the work, from this I built upon my communication skills and learning how to cope with more responsibility.

In all my work I try to actively engage with the content by talking with and to supervisors or client, this proved to be extremely useful as it exposed any difficulties or pitfalls in my initial plan, thus allowing me to amend these issues and deliver a strong final product. One such example of this, which I will expand upon later, is my second-year project (Please see UWE ITS Website under projects for details). Through this process of questions and actively engaging with my task and its content, I have learnt to be a fast learner and welcome the chance for new challenges and opportunities to acquire more knowledge.

Since we were all trapped indoors for the entirety of our final year, I took it upon myself to take up an old hobby that did not require the luxury of leaving my apartment. I decided to join the Universities Esports society and try out for one of their competitive video game teams. My chosen game was "Counter-strike: Global Offensive", it was deemed that with my drive and work ethic, that I deserved to be on their 1st team. Over the summer, my teammates and I competed in 3 tournaments and place 1st twice and 2nd once. This was a great personal achievement as I had at least 3 years of hiatus from playing the game.

I take great pride in the work that I achieved throughout university. In my opinion, the results reflect the amount of hard work that was invested in my degree, throughout I had the attitude of aiming for the highest quality work possible. Some highlights in my opinion are my final year dissertation, my second year IP2 project, and several essays which I achieved between 85%-95%. Some of these projects are covered in my detail on my website.

Due to the Pandemic, I was unable to secure a placement, to make up for this I have spent a great deal of time learning various skills and tools in my free time, to expand my skillset. These include creating an online portfolio to further my knowledge of bootstrap, CSS, HTML, and JavaScript. Additionally, I am taking 2 online courses involving node.js and react.js. My next project is to design a "To-Do" web app using my newly acquired skills.

Outside of programming, I taught myself from scratch how to play the guitar to a grade 6 level. Playing and listening to live music is one of my biggest passions in life. I've spent the last 5 years teaching myself music and for a short period played several gigs with a blues band and cover band. I played at various venues including a local venue that seated 500 people, a big personal achievement of mine.

Programming Skills

Php

JavaScript

MySQL

CSS

Python

HTML

Java

Programming Tools Used

- Bootstrap
- jQuery
- ajax
- Various APIs (Google Maps, Flickr, YouTube, chart.js, and more..)

Current Personal Projects

- Creating my online portfolio
- Learning Node.js
- Learning React.js
- Building a "**to-do**" web app based using react and node.js