My name is David Katrinka, I was born in Subotica on October 24th 2004. I reside in Donji Tavankut, a small town located near my city of birth. Currently I am living in a medium-sized house with my parents and sister. Right now, I am 175cm tall, my hair color is dirty blonde and I wear glasses. I don’t have a particular clothing style. I usually wear whatever is on discount at clothes shops.

After finishing “Svetozar Marković” secondary school, I applied for, and got accepted into Subotica Tech - College of Applied Sciences. At this moment I am in the middle of my first year of studies in the informatics study program at Subotica Tech. The reason I chose this college over other ones was the fact that I wanted to learn programming theory and the practical skills required for getting a good job. Another reason was proximity. Due to the tech colleges in other cities being far away from my home and prices being abnormally high in those cities, selecting a different college simply didn't make sense. I chose to become an engineer because I want to make useful things (like websites) that will help people and that I can look at and say “I made that” or “I helped make that”. At Subotica tech I want to learn how to make useful programs, websites or even physical products.

My hard skills include programming, mathematics and English. My math skills help me find logical solutions to programming tasks, but they also sometimes help me in my daily life. Knowing the English language helps me greatly, because most of the things I consume on the internet are in English. For example, the site I am using to learn JavaScript is fully in English. Although my programming skills are nothing to write home about right now, I am quickly learning and will soon be able to create full websites. As it stands, I can make website templates, which while looking like real websites, don’t actually function. My most valuable soft skill is adaptability, since I can adjust to many situations without a loss in productivity. In an ever-changing line of work like programming, adapting to new technologies is essential to keeping up with your peers. At Subotica tech I wish to elevate these skills and learn new ones that will be essential for my future.

All throughout primary and secondary education I took part in competitions, most of which were English competitions. I was among the top 8% of competitors in the world in the “Best in English” competition. I also took part in several municipal math competitions. Also, I have some experience in leading groups as I was most often chosen as group leader in high school tasks. Another one of my experiences is helping my grandfather run his shop. I would help him with the menial tasks like stocking the shelves and picking up new supply. I would also help with managing his emails and calculating the prices and turnover.

Generally, I spend most of my free time watching documentaries and documentary-style videos, reading books or comics and playing video games. After playing a game, reading or watching something, I like reviewing it, reading reviews others wrote and discussing what we agree or disagree on. I often take part in discussion threads on several forums. Another hobby of mine is photo editing. Obviously, I am not a pro, but I enjoy using photo editing software for either retouching pictures or making posters and shirt designs for imaginary companies.

I am a private person and I don’t like sharing too much with people I don’t know enough, but I am quite open with those that are close to me. As for daily habits, I am a morning person and generally don’t like staying up late. I split my learning time and free time by setting limits to stop burn-out from learning. I am very motivated and reliable, if I set my sights on doing a task, I will finish it and perfect it.