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Career Objective	Recent BSc Computer Science graduate, currently pursuing an Honours degree at UKZN, with part-time experience as a Programming Demonstrator. Passionate about developing efficient and scalable software, with a strong foundation in object-oriented programming (OOP), data structures, and algorithms. Eager to secure a graduate software developer role to contribute to innovative projects and expand my technical skills in a professional environment.
Education	University of KwaZulu-Natal BSc Computer Science and Information Technology Start date: Mar 2022 – Graduation date: 15 May 2025 2025: BSc Honours (Computer Science) Relevant Coursework: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Object-orientated ProgrammingData Structures and AlgorithmsDatabase and ProgrammingArtificial IntelligenceComputer Systems and Theory of ComputationImage Processing and Computer VisionSystem Analysis and DesignNetworking and Database Management Raisethorpe Secondary School 2016- 2020 National Senior Certificate (Bachelor's Pass) Achieved 4 distinctions with an A Aggregate pass Subjects: <ul style="list-style-type: none">English Home LanguageAfrikaans First Additional LanguageMathematicsLife OrientationAccountingGeographyLife Sciences
Technical Skills	Programming Languages: HTML, CSS, Python, Java, C++, SQL, C# Frameworks and Tools: Wing, Notepad++, JGrasp, Eclipse, Clion, SQLSMS19, Visual Studio, Google Colab, IntelliJ IDEA, ASP.NET, PowerBI, Scikit-Learn, Pandas, NumPy

	<p>Core Competencies: Object-Oriented Programming, Web Development, Data Structures and Algorithms, Database Management, Problem Solving, Team Collaboration, Debugging, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning</p>
Experience	<p>Programming Demonstrator (Part-time) University Of KwaZulu-Natal Feb 2024- Oct 2024 Aug 2025- Oct 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tutored first-year and second year students in mastering Python, Java and Data Structures during practical lab sessions. • Guided students through debugging, code design and algorithm implementation; prepared and ran hands-on lab exercises • Supported peer mentoring and collaborative problem solving to reinforce lecture material and improve practical outcomes. • Modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Comp100- Introduction to Computer Science; Language: Python (2024) ◦ Comp102- Computer Programming; Language: Java (2024 and 2025) ◦ Comp201- Data Structures and Algorithm (2025)
Key Projects	<p>Point of Sales system for Townbush Pharmacy (Third year group project)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-stack ASP.NET web application with secure authentication, shopping cart and payment integration using C#, HTML, CSS, JavaScript and MS SQL Server. • Designed SQL database for product inventory, user accounts, employee details and transactions; implemented transaction management and performance optimizations. • Focused on clean UI/UX and reliable checkout flow. <p>Simple Biology Quiz and Word Search Game (Third year group project)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Led a team of third year students in developing an interactive multiple-choice biology quiz with an integrated word-search puzzle for enhanced user engagement in C++. • Implemented difficulty levels, timed challenges, and random question selection to adapt to the player's skill level. • Designed modular functions for quiz logic, word-search generation, and timer management to ensure code clarity and scalability. • Focused on creating a smooth user experience with responsive input handling and clear feedback for correct and incorrect answers. • Demonstrated strong problem-solving and algorithmic thinking through efficient puzzle generation and game-state management. <p>DNA Sequence Classification (Honours Project)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developed a comparative DNA classification framework using both traditional Machine Learning models (Naive Bayes, Logistic Regression, Random Forest, SVM) and CNN. • Applied k-mer feature extraction and n-gram tokenization to encode nucleotide sequences from Human, Chimpanzee, and Dog datasets. • Achieved up to 97% accuracy on Human sequences using probabilistic models, demonstrating the effectiveness of classical ML for biological data. • Implemented the deep learning pipeline using TensorFlow and Keras, showcasing cross-disciplinary application of AI in bioinformatics.

	<p>Additional projects and AI-related assignments can be viewed on my GitHub profile: github.com/tomRiddle-the1st</p> <p>View my portfolio on: tomriddle-the1st.github.io</p>
Strengths	<p>Strong analytical and problem-solving mindset</p> <p>Adaptive and quick to learn new technologies</p> <p>Excellent communication</p> <p>Teamwork abilities</p> <p>Detailed oriented and organized in project execution</p> <p>Motivated to achieve excellence in software craftsmanship</p> <p>Competitive</p> <p>Leadership</p> <p>Accountability</p> <p>Detailed Orientated</p>
References	Available on request