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EDUCATION

University of Lincoln – M.Sc. Computer Science: Predicted Distinction (86% Average)

Sept 2025

Key Modules: Software Engineering, Programming Principles, Cyber Security, Machine Learning, Computer Vision

University of Lincoln – B.Sc. Computer Science: First Class with Honours

Mav 2024

Key Modules: Team Software Engineering, Advanced Programming, Databases, Cloud Computing, User-Experience Design

EXPERIENCE

Students' Union Management System

July 2025 - Present

Lincoln, UK

Front-End Web Developer

- Rebuilt Northampton Students' Union's website from a legacy ExpressionEngine front-end to a modern component-based system powered by Pluto API, delivering 8+ core pages and 12+ reusable components for 12k+ students, and improving load times by 40% through asset optimisation, lighter templates and reduced blocking scripts.
- Engineered 4 Laravel API endpoints to replace legacy ExpressionEngine functionality for the Suggestions module migration, enabling efficient pagination to cut load times by 80% and delivering richer detail to improve overall UX.
- Delivered Lincoln SU's Swan Guesthouse's microsite within 2 days under a strict commercial deadline, ensuring accurate content launch for peak booking season and protecting revenue.
- Implemented a GSAP-powered scroll animation for City St George's SU 'Our Mission' section, increasing interaction and dwell time on critical brand messaging by over 25%.

Synx Games Feb 2025 – June 2025

Software Engineer (Internship)

Lincoln, UK

- Co-led the end-to-end development of a multiplayer Roblox game from scratch, delivering a functional prototype in 8 weeks with core gameplay systems and UI built in TypeScript, React, and the Knit framework.
- Led a £500,000 Roblox Creator Fund application with pitch decks, timelines, and retention/monetisation plans.

B-Hive Innovations

May 2024 – Sept 2024

Software & Data Technician (Internship)

Lincoln, UK

- Diagnosed and resolved 8 critical reliability issues in Python-based applications for the TuberScan Venture project, improving data accuracy by 30% and ensuring accurate data collection for training machine-learning models.
- Enhanced data collection processes by automating data processing and validation pipelines, reducing manual errors to 0 and saving 5+ hours of work weekly spent fixing errors and inconsistencies.
- Improved task workflows and Git version control in a cross-functional team, delivering 95% of sprint objectives.

PROJECTS

OpenGalaxy [GitHub] [Live Demo]

Jan 2025 - May 2025

Full-Stack Development (TypeScript, React, Next.js, Tailwind CSS, Django, PostgreSQL)

- Engineered a high-performance React and Next.js SPA using TypeScript, reducing runtime errors with static typing, and hybrid CSR/SSR rendering, resulting in a 25% faster page load and improved SEO rankings.
- Implemented responsive UI components with TailwindCSS and DaisyUI, cutting DOM size by 80% and accelerating styling workflows, reducing frontend maintenance time by 60% compared to standard CSS.
- Designed backend data schema with Django and PostgreSQL fully normalised to 3NF, optimising query efficiency and data integrity for user accounts and media metadata, reducing redundant storage by 15%.
- Secured user authentication using Django REST Framework with HttpOnly JWT tokens, preventing client-side script access and mitigating XSS risks, achieving robust security for sensitive user sessions.
- Automated full-stack CI/CD pipelines integrating Vercel (frontend) and Heroku (backend), with GitHub Actions enforcing Cypress E2E tests on all PRs, decreasing deployment failures by 35% and accelerating release cycles.

Library Management System [GitHub]

Oct 2024 - Jan 2025

Systems Programming (C++, JSON, Networking, Multi-threading)

- Engineered a library management system CLI in C++ with CRUD operations and JSON data persistence.
- Implemented 40+ unit tests using Catch2 to facilitate continuous integration and Test-Driven Development.
- Integrated multi-threading and socket-based networking, enabling concurrent user interactions and remote access.

SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, TypeScript, JavaScript, C++, PHP

Web Development: React, Next.js, TailwindCSS, GSAP, Figma, RESTful APIs, Django, Node.js, Laravel

Cloud & DevOps: Docker, Vercel, Heroku, CI/CD, Git, Agile, SDLC, PostgreSQL, MongoDB