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Education

2009 – 2010

University of Bournemouth – MSc Computer Animation and Visual Effects
Grade expected – Distinction

2006 – 2009

University of Bristol - BSc: Mathematics and Computer Science
Grade obtained – 2:1 (68%)
Includes units in: Film and Communication,
Character and Set Design,
Animation Production.

1999 – 2006

Ivybridge Community College

A levels: Mathematics (A), Further Mathematics (A), Chemistry (A)
As levels: Biology (B)
GCSEs: 9 subjects attained (4 A*s, 3 As, 2 Bs)

Technical Skills

- Proficient in C++, OpenGL, Qt, Python, MEL, Java, C, Matlab, and Renderman.
- Created an L System application and 2D Interactive Fluid Simulation using C++, OpenGL and Qt.
- Studied Houdini's rigid body dynamics and fracturing in detail, and used this when implementing glass shattering and ground cracking for a group project 'Ipcocalypse'.
- In Houdini I also created a procedural city and garden generator, and an automatic compositing tool using the HOM and PyQt.
- I have experience using many software packages including Maya, Houdini, Nuke, Adobe Photoshop and Premiere.
- Completed a Dissertation in which I successfully developed an advanced 3D motion planning system for free-climbing robots. This involved using a combination of Maya, MEL and Java. For this project I gained a first class mark.
- Achieved a 1st in both my Character and Set Design and Animation Production Unit with my animated short achieving highest mark in the class.

Employment

Jul 2009

Ivybridge Community College – Student Associate Scheme

- Worked amongst students and staff to raise aspirations for higher education.
- Being resilient and patient helped me build a strong relationship with the students, which allowed me to communicate ideas effectively.
- Confidence and strong organisation skills allowed me to deliver lessons on my own, which received great feedback from the students and staff.

Dec 2007

Sift – Software Engineer

- Worked on designing and producing the UBHT NHS website.
- Tasks included using HTML, CSS and version control software (Subversion).
- Time-management and prioritising played a critical part to ensure further tasks down the pipeline were able to be achieved.
- Valuable experience gained in working effectively as part of a professional team, incorporating problem-solving, team-working dynamics and managing differing operational and technical situations.

Summer 2006

Temporary/Part Time jobs

- Roles in Catering helped me develop more of an understanding in the structure of this industry and also how to handle disputes.
- Working on an Assembly line developed my skills for working under pressure.

Responsibilities

Sep 2009 – Present

Student rep for MSc course

- Involves providing feedback and suggestions at termly meetings, representing the views of the MSc group.
- Organised a trip for the MSc group to go to London to visit some Visual Effects Studios.

Oct 2008 – Jun 2009

Mentor and 3rd Year Representative

- Mentor for a group of 1st year Computer Scientists.
- Provided an approachable link between the departmental board and 3rd Year Computer Scientists.
- These roles have further developed my interpersonal and communication skills.

Oct 2008 – Apr 2009

Science and Engineering Ambassador

- I worked at Clifton High School communicating to students the importance of science and maths.
- I also prepared and took lessons, helping children with learning difficulties and providing challenging and stimulating exercises for the more gifted students.

Mar 2008 – Jun 2009

Treasurer of the Computer Science Society

- Assisted in running inter-university events, demonstrating my organisational skills and enthusiasm.
- I have been able to demonstrate my ability and enjoyment for presenting by hosting EGM's and Freshers presentations.

Achievements

Sep 2008

4 day Insight into Management course

- Whilst undertaking a series of workshops as part of multi-disciplinary teams, I actively worked on developing my presenting, interpersonal, communication and team-working skills whilst boosting my commercial awareness.
- I was part of the team who won 'Best Marketing Pitch' and I was also nominated as 'Most Outstanding Individual'.

Interests

Music

- Guitar Player - Self taught to an intermediate level. Former member of an amateur band.

Sport

- Climbing/Bouldering
- Badminton/Squash

Referees – Referees available on request.