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Education

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University of Kent, Medway
BSc Computing with a Year in Industry

My first year taught me a range of computing theories, concepts and technologies:

- I gained an understanding of the software development process in a popular object-oriented programming language.
- I learned the basic principles of data structuring relational databases and web page design.
- I developed technical skills such as Java programming by structuring data and information to write small programs and used object-oriented analysis to identify and solve practical programming problems.
- I acquired SQL skills to perform basic data manipulation and information retrieval operations. I experienced working within a project that helped me to be aware of the real responsibilities, teamwork, organization and time management.

During my second year I developed my object-oriented programming, web development knowledge and gain a deeper understanding of database systems. Also, I acquired an understanding and appreciation for networking physical issues and different layers' issues and protocols. I am able to demonstrate concepts of the software engineering process along with the experience of the full cycle of a software project.

2010-2014

National College "Ferdinand I", Bacau, Romania

Romanian Baccalaureate:

Computer Science (9), Maths (8.5), Romanian Literature (8.4)

Work Experience

Sep 2015-present

University of Kent, Medway, Assistant

My very first experience as an employee is as an Assistant within the School of Computing. This paid role involves responsibilities in terms of providing clear information to students. I am responsible for running workshops for first year students. I provided near-peer support on their class exercises and coursework. This role required me to use problem-solving as well as listening skills.

Relevant Skills

Adaptability - I demonstrated flexibility by participating in national and international camps with the Romanian Scouts and working within multi-cultural communities. Also, I chose to come to the UK for my university studies because I can adapt easily to new surroundings and I feel comfortable to study here.

Teamwork – I learned how to cooperate with other people towards a common goal and create a sense of teamwork throughout sports. Being part of several sport teams taught me that determination and discipline are the main keys to achieve success. Sport experiences gave me strong communication skills as well as dealing with conflict and exposure to a variety of ideas within the team.

Organisation – I researched and planned a trip around Europe for 2 people on a tight schedule and a tight budget. There were problems along the way but I developed resilience and self-motivation in order to overcome them and achieve my goal of visiting all places on the schedule and getting back home in the right time.

Communication – As part of my coursework I delivered several PowerPoint presentations in front of the class with good feedback. It helped me to develop not only my communication skills but also it increased my self-trust in terms of public speaking.

Interests

- **Scouts** - I did voluntary work for 12 years within the National Organization of Romanian Scouts that shaped my responsibility of helping the community I am part of. I learned how to strive towards development as an individual and within a team. I was involved in many projects through I acquired leadership skills.
 - **Travel** – I am an enthusiastic person when it comes to travelling. There is nothing more interesting to me rather than visiting a new city, the traditions of other culture or a different cuisine. Visiting lots of places and meeting diverse people around the world has enriched my knowledge and creative thinking.
 - **Sports** – I do enjoy sports not because of the excitement of winning but the great skills you can develop. Through sports I became a hard working person by spending countless hours training. Also, I developed not only teamwork skills, but only a strategic thinking.
 - **Hiking** – I have been doing it since childhood and it still is my favourite hobby that means fresh air, good times and adventure. I prefer to spend my spare time getting out and enjoying nature rather than other exciting indoor activities. Proper planning and self-organisation are key for long hikes. In addition to this, I have successfully participated in surviving camps that helped me to develop essential abilities such as adaptability, self-motivation and critical thinking.
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References

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