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Other Skills and Qualifications:

ISTQB Certificate

English: Fluent in both, spoken
and in writing.

Polish: Fluent (Native speaker).

First Aid at work

Driving License: Cat. B

The Daily Manchester Blogger
and SEO Certificate

The Foundations of Digital
Marketing Certificate

Python Programming
(Shaw Academy)

Enhanced DBS Check



Hobbies and Interests

Classic cars

DIY

Whisky

Electronics & Technology

Fitness & Gym

Gaming

Music and Audio Equipment

PERSONAL PROFILE

Quality Assurance Engineer with 4+ years' experience delivering high-quality mobile applications in fast-paced Agile environments. Specialises in combining manual and automated testing to improve release confidence and reduce production defects.

KEY SKILLS

End-to-End Testing | Mobile App Testing | Test Automation (XCUI, ComposeUI, Maestro) | API Testing (REST, Postman) | Defect Management (JIRA) | Test Case Design & Execution | Release Planning & QA Ownership | CI/CD Pipeline (CircleCI) | Version Control (Git/GitHub) | Debugging & Root Cause Analysis | Agile/Scrum Collaboration | Cross-Functional Collaboration | Pair Programming (Dev & QA) | Mentoring & Onboarding | Communication & Stakeholder Reporting | ISTQB Certified

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Quality Assurance Engineer

The Economist | Birmingham

| November 2021 – April 2026

QA Engineer working on a large-scale mobile application, contributing to end-to-end quality across iOS and Android platforms. Combines manual and automated testing to support frequent, high-quality releases in an Agile environment.

Key contributions:

- Led release testing as **QA Captain**, coordinating test activities, managing risk, and ensuring smooth delivery of mobile app releases
- Improved release confidence by designing and executing comprehensive regression and E2E test strategies
- Collaborated closely with developers, product, and cross-functional teams to identify defects early and streamline resolution workflows
- Contributed to the adoption and evaluation of automation tools (e.g. Maestro, Testim Mobile), supporting POCs to improve test efficiency and coverage
- Performed API testing using Postman and validated backend integrations to ensure reliability of mobile features
- Managed and prioritised defects using JIRA, improving triage and communication across teams
- Supported onboarding of new team members, sharing testing practices and contributing to team capability growth
- Investigated and stabilised flaky tests, improving reliability of automated test suites within CI/CD pipelines

Tech & Tools: Postman | JIRA | TestRail | Charles Proxy | Git/GitHub AA | CircleCI | Maestro | XCUI | ComposeUI | Testim Mobile | MobileBoost |

Languages: Kotlin | Swift | JavaScript | TypeScript | Python |

Modules undertaken:

MSc:

Advanced System Design
Advanced Web Technologies
Semantic Web
Internet and Cloud Computing
Generative Development
Service Oriented Architecture
C++ Programming
Personal and Group Skills

BSc:

Object-oriented Software Design and Development
Front-End Web Development
Functional Software Development
Web Application Penetration Testing
Data Structures and Algorithms
System Building: Methods
Telematics
Interaction Design
Multi-tier Web Applications

EDUCATION

University of Leicester | September 2019 – January 2021
Web Applications and Services MSc - Graduated with Distinction.

De Montfort University | September 2017 – June 2019
Computer Science BSc - Graduated with a First-class degree (with Honours).

University of Leicester | September 2015 – June 2017
Computer Science BSc - Undertaken two years prior to transferring to a different university, where I completed my degree.

Salford City College | September 2013 – June 2015
BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in IT (Networking and Systems Support)
-Completed with Distinction* Distinction* Distinction

South Trafford College | September 2012 – June 2013
BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in IT

PROJECTS

University of Leicester | November 2020 – January 2021
Individual Project for the MSc - **Smart Home Solution for Rented Apartments**
In this project I have created a functioning Web application that allows user to control multiple Smart home devices. I have also generated a mobile application that was reflecting the main functionalities of the web app.
Languages used for the project: JavaScript, PHP/HTML, CSS, Python, MySQL, Bash, JAVA.

De Montford University | September 2018 – June 2019
Final Year Project for the BSc - **Bingo System**
Inspired by difficulties faced due to the IT system used at my workplace at the time, I have built a secure bingo system to register and store member details, sell Bingo tickets, sell food and manage members (log purchases/ban). The system had 3 different permission levels based on the user type (user, manager, admin).

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Warehouse Operative
Trafalgar Scientific | Leicester | August 2019 – October 2019
March 2021 – November 2021

Sales Assistant
Zara | Leicester | December 2019 – March 2020

Call Conversion Assistant
University of Leicester | Leicester | February 2020 – March 2020

Team Member
Mecca Bingo | Leicester | November 2017 – June 2019

Conference & Banqueting Management
Britannia Hotel | Manchester | June 2016 – September 2016

General Assistance
Club 3000 Bingo | Manchester | July 2014 – September 2015



References

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