



# Thomas B. Clarke

COMPUTER SCIENCE STUDENT · SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

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## Profile

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My degree in Computer Science is allowing me to explore my interests and fuel my passion for technology. I am task focused, have a positive attitude and an industrious work ethic, all of which are important for my degree and work. I have shown I can adapt to new environments quickly and deal with problems effectively, skills which I enjoy developing further when on new projects.

## Education

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### University of Birmingham

*Birmingham, UK*

BSC HONS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE WITH INDUSTRIAL YEAR

*September 2014 - July 2018*

- **3rd Year Modules:** Final Year Project in Natural Language Processing, Distributed and Parallel Computing, Intelligent Data Analysis, Intelligent Robotics, Computer-Aided Verification, Nature-Inspired Search and Optimisation, Networks
- **2nd Year Modules - 1st Class - Year average was 80%:** 2nd Year Modules: Software Systems Components 95%, Functional Programming (Haskell) 96%, Professional Computing 81%, Mathematical Techniques for Computer Science 73%, Computational Vision 72%, Models of Computation 61%, Team Project 73%, Computer Systems and Architecture 74%, C/C++ 86% and Computer Security 81%
- **1st Year Results - 1st Class - Year average was 85%:** Robotics 100%, Software Engineering 78%, Software Workshop Java 95%, Language and Logic 85%, Web Programming 88%, Foundations of Computer Science (with OCaml) 82%, Artificial Intelligence 77%, Information Engineering 73% and Multimedia Data 70%

### John Cleveland College

*Hinckley, UK*

GCSEs AND A-LEVELS

*September 2010 - August 2014*

- **A Levels:** Mathematics A\*, Physics A, I.C.T. A, AS History C, EPQ A
- **GCSEs:** 3 A\*s, 6 As, 1 B and OCR Level 2 National Double Award in I.C.T. Distinction

## Technical Skills

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**Languages** Java (EE), JavaScript, Python, SQL, PHP, C/C++, Haskell, MATLAB

**Software** MySQL, Oracle SQL, Hibernate, JBoss EAP, Spring MVC, Maven, D3.js, ROS, Git, SVN, BASH, Windows, Linux, Chrome Extension Building

**Other**

- Preferred IDEs: Eclipse for Java, PyCharm for Python, Visual Studio for supported project types
- Programmed in robotics using LeJOS (Java based) and ROS (Python based)
- Basic knowledge of Android, Visual Basic and Unity game maker
- Experienced mobile development using PhoneGap and Meteor, in industry producing IOT applications
- Experienced agile and SCRUM development practices, in both personal and industry projects

## Work History

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### CGI

*Birmingham, UK*

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER *Industrial Placement*

*July 2016 - July 2017*

I build prototype internet of things mobile applications with PhoneGap and worked on the DCCA project which served for 5 of the big 6 energy companies. The application managed request orchestration for smart meters and was built for deployment in a JBoss EAP environment. I was heavily involved in front end and back end support development (approached with an agile methodology), and given a large responsibility for managing the production of the DCCA's Diagnostics component (with SCRUM based approach).

## Majestic

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

Birmingham, UK

July - September 2015

Using various web technologies and utilising D3.js, myself and a team of 2 other developers used the Majestic API to create innovative data visualisations. The work can be seen at <https://labs.majestic.com/2015>. I also represented Majestic at Leeds Hack 2015.

## Hinckley Homeless Group

WEB DEVELOPER (Voluntary Charity Work)

Hinckley, UK

September 2015 (continuous support)

I created a new website for Hinckley Homeless Group to replace their original one using an agile approach to development. Visit the site <http://hinckleyhomeless.com>.

## Crane Electronics Ltd.

SOFTWARE TESTER

Burbage, UK

Summer 2014

Exploring and testing a range of products to identify faults or problems and reporting them to the software engineer for revision. The main project was black box testing on an Android based device.

## Spar

STORE SUPERVISOR (promoted from sales assistant March 2015)

University of Birmingham, UK

October 2014 - March 2016

I handled a large amount of responsibility ensuring the shop operates smoothly, gained skills in time management and delegation, and worked as an integral team player.

## Woodlands Nursery & Garden Centre

GARDEN CENTRE ASSISTANT

Leicester, UK

October 2013 - January 2014

I gained a set of core skills based around fast-paced customer service and communication.

## Achievements and Interests

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- Being the **main developer on CGI's DCCA Diagnostics** component, having the responsibility of independently maintaining and managing consistent communications to upper management and directors to cover the product's development, testing and deployment for reliable use.
- While at Majestic our best project used data on 50,000 Twitter accounts and displayed them in a sunburst diagram and I also worked on integrating Twitter into the project. The project was received excellently, and they used their trade mark '**Social Explorer**' on it as well as pushing it out as a headline on their blog and newsletters.
- 'The Majestic Universe' project achieved a place in the long list at the Kantar **Information is Beautiful Awards 2015**.
- Attending various hackathons:
  - During **BrumHack** our pair created a Chrome plugin (that used Node.js and IBM Watson as a backend) that detected negative or offensive text and images in webpages and replaced them with cat facts and pictures respectively. This won our team MLH's #HackHarassment prize.
  - At **HackKings** our team used Pusher's technology to create a Google Chrome Extension allowing users to share their current webpage live with other users and forward actions (such as scrolling). We won Pusher's prize and came runners-up overall out of 23 projects.
  - **AstonHack** where our team used IBM Bluemix to create an instant messaging Meteor app that used features of Watson to make chatting online more entertaining.
  - I **represented Majestic at Leeds Hack 2015** as a sponsor, where I gave a short introductory presentation on Majestic, and worked with the attendees on using the Majestic API in their projects.
- Member of the Computer Science society and the Games Development society at university.
- Being a **proactive** player in a team competing in the Game Development Society's game jams.
- **Tutored students** in GCSE Computing and A-Level Mathematics.
- Various extra circular activities including:
  - An Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) based on creating an Android Application
  - A Silver Crest Award based on Astronomy
  - A v50 volunteering award
- Socialising, live music and travelling.