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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I'm an outgoing, motivated professional with practice applying novel solutions to problems and quickly mastering new skills. I have experience in customer service and government agencies but recently decided to retrain as a software developer in search of exciting problems to solve. Please look at some of the work on my GitHub repository to see what I can do.

WORK HISTORY

Ministry of Social Development

Wellington
2019-2022

Processing Officer – International Services

- Supported clients in applying for overseas pensions.
- Represented my team as a union delegate for the Public Service Association.
- Worked through lockdown through the implementation of wage subsidy.
- Accurately and concisely guided a wide range of different people through relevant social security legislation. Worked directly with the 2018 Social Security Act and the nine reciprocal social security agreements New Zealand has with other countries.
- Guided other members of the team when dealing with complex cases. Helped new staff get up to speed.

Constellation Brands

Wellington
2017-2019

Wine Demonstrator and Merchandiser

- Worked as a product salesperson in supermarkets and liquor stores across central and greater Wellington.
 - My responsibility expanded to work as a merchandiser after success in previous roles.
 - Built and sustained working relationships with liquor managers.
 - Managed my own stock requirements.
 - Worked on a changing schedule.
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INTERESTING PROJECTS

Website

PHP, CSS

A dynamic website hosted on an oracle virtual machine. Designed to host my CV and some widgets I'd like to develop. You can find this at corb.co.nz

Web Browser

Java, JavaFX

A web browser application built with JavaFX. The user can save bookmarks, track their browsing history, and browse on multiple tabs. There are some other small features as well.

Gabber chat app

Java, SQL

Built for an assignment, this uses socket-to-socket connections to send messages between clients and a server. The server stores messages in a database. Features multithreading and simple AES encryption.

KEY STRENGTHS

Communication

- Strong people skills after working for several years in public-facing roles.
- Comfortable working in groups with colleagues to produce software projects.
- Good at explaining complex subjects in simple ways to many people.
- Outgoing and friendly, excellent teamwork skills and ability to put people at ease.

Analysis

- Practice identifying the technologies needed to solve a problem and then learning those technologies independently.
- Passionate about a wide range of areas and in garnering new knowledge.
- Skilled in identifying and summarising critical findings in various texts and media.
- Excellent argumentation and reasoning skills from studying philosophy and sound knowledge of sociological and international issues from relevant studies.

Initiative

- Responded quickly to changes in schedule and covered for other team members as needed.
- Good at knowing when to ask for help, confident in asking questions.
- Operated independently and effectively in a varied role without direct management.
- Worked proactively to fix issues as they arose by compromising with liquor managers.

QUALIFICATIONS

Victoria University of Wellington

Wellington
2022-2023

Master of Software Development

Programme concludes in June 2023.

Victoria University of Wellington

Wellington
2015-2019

Bachelor of Arts

Majoring in International Relations, Sociology, and Philosophy.

COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Public Service Association

Wellington
2021

Union Delegate

- Represented my co-workers through the restructuring of the International Services work environment.
- Helped run meetings with both department managers and general staff.
- Worked with members to address concerns with management.

VESA

Laos
2016

Volunteer

- Built elephant enclosure in Laos jungle.
- Helped build part of new primary school building.
- Learned about the challenges faced by ethical elephant sanctuaries.

References available upon request