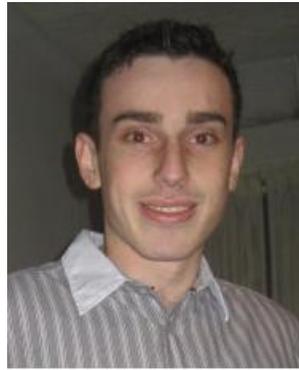


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### Education

#### **University of Manchester (2006 – 2010)**

Chemical Engineering MEng w/ Industrial Experience

Expected Degree Class: 1<sup>st</sup>

The IChemE accredited Masters Degree is designed to prepare students for a career in process engineering while providing an excellent skill base for other career choices. The placement lasted 12 months (see work experience) and involved writing a dissertation on the projects undertaken and a report, which critically assessed the skills acquired during the year.

Core Skills Developed:

- Teamwork and leadership qualities (group design projects)
- Problem solving skills (problem based learning)
- Technical presentation skills (colloid science, design project & dissertation)

#### **Ashmole Comprehensive School (1999 – 2006)**

A Levels: Maths (A), Chemistry (A), Physics (A), Further Maths (A)

GCSEs: 11 GCSEs from A\*- C (A in English Language, A\* in History, A\* in Maths and Double Science, A in Double Applied ICT)

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### Work Experience

#### **Croda Europe Ltd (2008 – 2009) - Process Engineer**

Croda Europe is a global speciality chemical company providing services for the personal care, pharmaceutical and industrial markets.

Key Roles:

- Project manager over several projects on site responsible for the budget, designs and implementations of plant improvements. Undertaking several projects simultaneously developed prioritising and planning qualities while providing excellent experience in both process engineering and project management.
- Liaised with multidisciplinary teams to ensure the ongoing project work was carried out on time and in budget with careful contractor selection developing communication and leadership skills.
- Main plant engineer for a top tier COMAH (Control of Major Accident Hazards) status plant involving acid chlorides. Unpredictability of plant issues required rapid analysis and effective communication to ensure production continued safely and efficiently.

Core Skills Developed:

- Budget management (£1,200 - £85,000)
- Report writing (engineering reports, maintenance schedules, etc)
- Leadership and teamwork qualities (project work)
- Business communication (report writing, communicating with operators)
- Creative and technical problem solving skills (plant support)
- Presentation skills to senior management (proposed project modifications)
- Adaptability with in-house IT systems

### ***Dominos Pizza (2005 – 2008) - Store Manager***

#### Key Roles:

- Promoted from customer service representative to store manager. Included opening, running, closing the shop, dealing with customer complaints and cashing out drivers. Ensuring weekly totals were correct and entrusted to count large sums of money on an unsupervised basis.
- Trained new staff ensuring they felt welcomed and taught them how to use the computer system and appropriate techniques for taking orders. Explained tasks to workers with limited grasp of English effectively and politely. Helped with the advertising of the shop by designing deals and promotions.

#### Core Skills Developed:

- Communication skills to non-English speakers
- Leadership & teamwork
- Training qualities
- Stock management (checking & ordering stock)

### ***On Toast (2007) - Consultant***

*A website designed for students to communicate and help with their studies.*

#### Core Skills Developed:

- Creativity – involved in initiating and developing useful website features such as informing students of upcoming gigs in the local area, an auctioning feature for old books and providing online space for lecturers to upload useful documents.
- Website functionality – reviewed pilot version of website from a user perspective suggesting improvements in layout and functionality.

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### ***Other Skills and Achievements***

- IT skills including MS Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access, Outlook & Visio)
- Head teachers' Prize (Top prize in school for A-Level results and attitude)

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### ***Interests and Activities***

I trained in Wing Chun Kung Fu for three years (2 hrs a day) in a World respected organisation called UKWCKFA. My hard work and dedication to the art and physical training made me the quickest and youngest to pass the Siu Nim Tao grading (equivalent black belt). I was soon involved in assisting in the classes where I would instruct adults of all ages either in a group or on a one to one basis. The instructing helped me to communicate difficult ideas to a less experienced person in the art. The training developed my self-discipline and also helped my concentration and focus of both mind and body. I did some more training in Japanese Ju Jitsu and Mixed Martial Arts to broaden my knowledge of Martial Arts and I play a variety of different sports. I also enjoy visiting new cultures and went travelling around Europe by rail in 2007 and visited South East Asia in 2009.

I have a keen interest in new technology and website design. I am currently developing an online magazine for students using the site ([www.myebook.com](http://www.myebook.com), which was featured on BBC Webscape at [http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/programmes/click\\_online/7754215.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/programmes/click_online/7754215.stm)) where I am working with the creator of the website. The magazine will be free with content aimed at being off the wall, topical and very relatable to student life.

*References on request.*