Martynas Noreika

Education

2019-present PhD in Computing Systems Architecture, University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh, UK

2014–2019 MSci (Hons) Computer Science, University of St Andrews, St Andrews, UK

First Class. Final GPA: 17.4/20

2010–2014 Brandos Atestatas, Janonio Gymnasium, Siauliai, Lithuania

Final GPA: 9.4/10 Modules include: Mathematics, Physics, IT, Chemistry, History

2002–2008 Siauliai 1st Music School, Siauliai, Lithuania

Played Grand Piano and Hornpipe

Research Experience

2016–2019 Research Assistant, University of St Andrews, St Andrews, UK

ViLO - A Visual Interactive Resource for Supporting Self-Guided Learning

Supervisors: Dr Dharini Balasubramaniam and Dr Uta Hinrichs

- Joined a team of researches that explored alternative learning resources
- o Conducted interviews with students to understand how their learning could be enhanced
- Helped to draft the requirements, designed and developed an interactive web-based supplementary learning tool, which is adopted by students across St Andrews
- o Developed a prototype of a content management system that allows lecturers to edit and maintain the resource content

Autumn 2018 Master's Thesis, University of St Andrews, St Andrews, UK

Task Farm Parallel Pattern for FPGA-Based MPSoC Environments Supervisor: Dr Vladimir Janjic, Co-Supervisor: Prof Kevin Hammond

Achieved grade: 20/20

September Bachelor's Thesis, University of St Andrews, St Andrews, UK

2017-May Network Science on GPUs Supervisor: Prof Simon Dobson

Investigated possible implementation approaches of simulating abstract networks in parallel

- Developed a prototype that is capable of simulating SIR epidemic model on ER networks using a GPU
- o Achieved an average execution time speedup of 87.4 times under certain simulation conditions, when compared to sequential implementations
- o Showed that the solution can be extended to simulate arbitrary models and networks with some limitations

Achieved grade: 19/20

Conferences and Publications

December ViLO: A Visual Interactive Resource for Supporting Self-Guided Learning

2018 Dharini Balasubramaniam, Uta Hinrichs, Martynas Noreika and Alasdair Macindoe Published in New Directions in the Teaching of Physical Sciences, 0.13 (2018)

June 2018 ViLO: A Visual Interactive Resource for Supporting Self-Guided Learning (poster)

Dharini Balasubramaniam, Uta Hinrichs, Martynas Noreika and Alasdair Macindoe

Horizons in STEM Higher Education Conference 2018: Making Connections, Innovating and Sharing Pedagogy 28-29 June 2018, The University of Hull, UK

October 2017 ViLO: Visual Interactive Resource For Supporting Self-Guided Student Learning (poster)

Presented a poster at SICSA DemoFest 2017: Bringing Research to Life

3 October 2017, Edinburgh, UK

May 2017 An Interactive Resource for Learning Programming Concepts (poster)

Presented a poster at *Good Practise Exchange* 3 May 2017, The University of St Andrews, UK

Industry Experience

Summer 2019 Software Engineer, TalentTicker, Cardiff, UK

- Worked in a technology team as a full-time engineer
- Developed an AWS Lambda authorizer to support both public and private API calls in AWS ecosystem
- Designed and implemented a service to handle user event tracking and notification delivery via Web-Sockets
- Utilised AWS Personalize ML models to provide users with suggestions based on their platform usage history
- o Introduced gamification features to the platform which enables users to progress and receive awards

Summer 2018 Software Engineer Intern, TalentTicker, Cardiff, UK

- Joined a team in a technology startup focusing on development of AI solutions for the recruitment sector
- Designed and implemented a prototype system that suggests candidates for a given open vacancy based on how they fit the requirements
- Developed a serverless data processing pipeline in AWS infrastructure to process vast amounts of job vacancies on daily basis
- Implemented a job classification system that helped to cluster and process vacancy data and reduced the amount of manual labour required

Summer 2017 Technology Analyst Intern, JP Morgan & Chase, Glasgow, UK

- Worked with a team that developed an internal financial product
- Improved a messaging simulator that helped to test components of the system by simulating the remote endpoints according to the business logic
- Reduced development life-cycle by allowing a simultaneous use of integration level tests in the same development environment

Skills

Programming Python, Java, C++, C, JavaScript (ES6, React.js, Node.js, Redux), HTML, CSS, Haskell, LATEX

Software CUDA, Cucumber, Vim, Nginx, Git, Mercurial

Languages Fluent: English, Lithuanian Basic: Russian, Japanese

Positions of Responsibility

University of St Andrews Student Union

2018–2019 **School President**, School of Computer Science

Chair of School Student-Staff Consultative Committee

University Educational Committee and School Equality and Diversity Committee member

- Represented students and advocated for their views in the school and university as a whole
- Lead a team of class representatives with a focus on improving teaching quality in the school
- Pioneered an Industry Engagement Program that provided 10 students with an opportunity to work with local technology startups alongside their studies
- Performed a university wide survey regarding issues with existing lecture capture policy and produced a report to the management proposing solutions to mitigate them
- Organised a range of projects: mentoring scheme, careers events, social ball and others

University of St Andrews Engineering Group

2018–2019 **Secretary**

o Organised committee meetings and communicated events and workshops to the students

2017–2018 President

- · Led a team of seven people that organised teaching and design workshops open to all students
- o Managed two engineering projects: high-altitude balloon and racing drones

2016-2017 Head of Coding

- Directed a team of developers and physicists to design the electronics module used in the payload of a high-altitude balloon
- Developed a radio system to communicate with the payload module

Referees

Prof Simon Dobson Head of School University of St Andrews School of Computer Science North Haugh KY16 9SX, St Andrews, UK

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Dr Dharini Balasubramaniam Director of Teaching University of St Andrews School of Computer Science North Haugh KY16 9SX, St Andrews, UK

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