

Rory Murray

Student & Aspiring Tech Founder

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PROFESSIONAL STATEMENT

Highly competent and driven student with a passion for problem solving and a track record of delivering high quality outputs under pressure. Skilled communicator, leader and public speaker, excelling in networking, collaboration and presenting ideas to non-technical audiences. I am eager to apply my skills to challenging real world projects while continuing to learn and grow.

EDUCATION

University of Liverpool Maths School:

2024 - 2026

- A Levels: Maths, Further Maths, Computer Science (A*A*A Predicted).
- Deputy leader of Student Cabinet & Debate Club Leader.

Woodchurch High School:

2019 - 2024

- Achieved 11 GCSEs at grades 7-9 (average grade 8.1; top of 2023-24 cohort).

EXPERIENCE

Freelancer, Co-Founder @ kernldigital.com

Feb 2025 - Present

- Founded and ran a freelance web design and development business; acquired clients and delivered full stack solutions, reaching 250 visitors/month on kernldigital.com and driving projected £30k sales for a local client in the first year.
- Managed projects end-to-end, including coordinating work with other developers.

Paid Intern, LYVA Labs / Knowledge Quarter Liverpool

Aug 2025

- Launched networking events for accelerator and incubator alumni, helping connect start-ups with investors.
- Researched and compared global accelerator models, producing insights on best practices.
- Delivered LYVA's first market research report directly informing a healthtech start-up's go-to-market strategy.

Work Experience, Yozu

Jul 2025

- Gained insight into the full operations of a £10M+ software firm, meeting with product owners, engineers, QA testers, creative designers, DevOps specialists, business support teams.
- Engaged in one-to-one meetings with senior leadership including the CEO, COO and directors, gaining valuable advice and perspective on strategy, growth and company culture.
- Completed an intensive Ruby on Rails crash course & Yozu's junior developer programming task using the framework.

Paid Intern, Mitchell Charlesworth

Feb 2023

- Gained hands-on experience in wealth management, tax, & accounting including preparing VAT calculations and analysing tax efficiency.
- Liaised with HMRC, securing a significant tax refund for a client & used spreadsheets to support financial reporting.

PROJECTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Winner - Inversity × Faculty Team Challenge #3

Dec 2024

- Won 1st place and a cash prize in a national hackathon, sponsored by Faculty and the Raspberry Pi Foundation, developing *LevelUp*, an adaptive learning platform powered by AI.
- Tested by 50+ students and pitched to senior leaders at Inversity and the Raspberry Pi Foundation.

Project Manager, F1 in Schools

Sep 2024 - Feb 2025

- Led team in engineering, sponsorship & portfolio; secured £700+ sponsorships; won Best portfolios in the North West.

Studying Resonance in Model Bridges

Apr 2025

- Built a custom Raspberry Pi + Accelerometer data acquisition system.
- Analysed large datasets with Python, applying Fourier approximations and graphing results.

Reimagining market research

Feb 2025

- Designed & built a web app using natural language processing to turn raw survey data into actionable insights.
- Presented the solution to a panel of industry experts from local businesses.

Proficiencies: Python, Next.js, React, HTML/CSS, Tailwind, Git/GitHub, Vercel, Supabase, Figma, AI tools.