

## **Nick Watts**

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### **High School:**

1993-2005 Coffs Harbour Christian Community School

HSC subjects were: Advanced English, 2 Unit Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics and Information Processes and Technology. Finished year 12 as school captain.



### **University:**

2007-2009 completed a Bachelor of Computer Science (Software Engineering) at the University of New England. Earned academic awards:

- Top of Faculty (First Year) for the Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science department.
- Awarded the Scott Williams Opportunity Scholarship in my second/third year.
- Within Drummond and Smith College, I earned the academic award for both the top of the faculty of sciences and the top of all faculties in my second year.

### **Previous Employment**

Casual employment at McDonalds Coffs Harbour (April 2002 - August 2003)

- Learned customer service and hospitality skills.
- Gained experience in retail relations.
- Learned to work efficiently within a structured system.
- Quit position to have more time for study during HSC years.

Work experience and brief casual employment at We Are Computers (computer retailer) (December 2003)

- Gained practical skills in problem solving with computer systems.
- Gained experience in customer service.

Full-time trainee groundsman at Nambucca Beach Holiday Park throughout 2006

- Gained proficiency in a wide variety of physical labour.
- Learned strategies for achieving customer satisfaction in the tourism industry.

### **Other Qualifications:**

- Have obtained the OH&S General Induction "Green Card".

### **Extracurricular Activities**

Technical:

- Created a piece of software called XWii ([www.respect.com/xwii](http://www.respect.com/xwii)) that allows a user to control a Linux PC with the Nintendo Wii Remote and associated peripheral devices (demo

- videos are on the website).
- Developed a Content Management System from scratch with PHP and MySQL. My personal website was run on this system for about two years before I moved it to Drupal.

**Non-Technical:**

- I have been a volunteer bible study leader for the University of New England's Anglican chaplaincy. Responsibilities have included writing bible studies and teaching a group as well as mentoring younger students and assisting them in becoming comfortable with university life.
- I have been the treasurer for a student-run Christian organisation called UnitedInc ([www.unitedinc.org](http://www.unitedinc.org)). Key responsibilities have included handling the group's finances, maintaining the website and designing various promotional media for our projects.

**Areas of Interest**

**Technical:**

- The future of the world wide web as a means of multimedia delivery.
- Technology as a means for the creation of works of art, video and audio.

**Non-Technical:**

- Sport, particularly surfing, basketball and the discipline of “parkour”.
- I enjoy books that challenge my thinking. Favourite authors include C.S. Lewis, Ravi Zacharias and Jonathan Sarfati.

**The Future**

Having finished my Bachelor of Computer Science, I plan to stay in Armidale to work with St. Mark's Anglican Chaplaincy at UNE throughout at least 2010. I have been accepted as a paid ministry trainee working half-time. I am also working half-time within the University of New England's I.T. Directorate, thus far in a role helping staff and students to configure their equipment for use with the University's internal network. I am looking to learn about and experience new and diverse areas of the I.T. Industry and would welcome any opportunities which might take me in this direction.

**Referees:**

- Rev. Martin Trotman (UNE Chaplain, St. Marks Anglican Chaplaincy on Campus)  
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- Steve Watson (Owner/Manager at Nambucca Beach Holiday Park)  
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