



Frank's Journey in

MASTER OF SOFTWARE ENGINEERING



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YooBee student's success story

1 What were your initial expectations of the MSE programme at YooBee?

I was thrilled to discover the MSE programme at YooBee as it offered me a chance to further my passion for software development, which began in high school. Before joining, I took basic courses like ML math basics and Python, which laid a solid foundation. The MSE programme helped me refine my existing skills and provided a systematic approach to software engineering.

2 What challenges did you face during your studies?

Studying in a non-native country was tough, especially balancing studies with family life. The biggest challenge was maintaining enthusiasm for new technologies like AI and blockchain. Overcoming fears and pushing through challenges with a passion for learning kept me going.

3 Tell us about your first internship

I found mine through networking and professional organisations like CITA. Use platforms like SEEK and programmes like Summer of Tech. Personal connections and showcasing your skills to local companies can also be effective.

Student Profile

NAME

Frank Zhang

NATIONALITY

Chinese

COURSE

Master of Software Engineering (Accelerated)

INTAKE

July 2023

DURATION

1 year

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4 How did the MSE skills prepare you for your internship?

Understanding New Zealand's tech market helped me tailor my learning. I chose a tech stack based on local demand, allowing me to use the MSE to build relevant skills. For my research interests, I explored areas like AI and quantum computing.

5 Can you share a project that significantly impacted your learning?

Quantum computing was particularly fascinating to me. It differs fundamentally from classical computing, and while challenging, it sparked my interest in further exploration.

6 How did the Yoobee faculty and staff support you?

Yoobee's support helped me navigate my studies, despite language barriers. Staff guidance eased my adaptation. I recommend understanding local culture and course expectations early, as the MSE programme is quite intensive.

7 What are your goals after your internship?

I am considering various paths, including pursuing further academic opportunities, joining the local ICT industry, or starting my own business. My goal is to continue working in software development through ongoing learning



Advice to prospective students

"Pursue the MSE programme at Yoobee with a passion for software and technology. Set clear goals, focus on building skills, and keep learning. Your dedication will make you stand out in the market and help achieve your objectives."

FRANK IS SHAPING HIS FUTURE.

To shape yours, enrol with Yoobee College of Creative Innovation.

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