KARAM BINNING

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Available: December 2026 – January 2027 (UK and Europe) and summer 2027 (global)

PROFILE

Final-year History and Politics student who pairs rigorous research and analysis with hands-on building. Since March 2026, with no programming background, I have used Claude to design and run autonomous flight software, a small agent fleet across four machines and intelligence tooling, alongside a full degree and part-time work. I learn new fields quickly, check my work before I claim it, and am as comfortable writing an argument as running a system. Open to internships in any sector where I can contribute and learn from the first week.

EDUCATION

Loughborough University — BA (Hons) History & Politics 2024 – 2027

- Selected marks: African States and Nations **70** · Politics of Development **66** · International Political Theory **66** · British India 1857–1947 **65** · Making and Unmaking of the World Order **65** · Theories and Methods in Political Research **65**.
- **Dissertation (in progress):** *Great Power War as a Process*: what structural indicators of systemic conflict can and cannot predict, tested with forecasting software I built for it.
- Final year: The Soviet Security State · International Conflict Management · After Empire: South Asia · French.
- **Future study:** Master's in International Security, 2027–28.

Harlington Upper School & Sixth Form, Central Bedfordshire

A-Levels: Psychology (B) · Criminology (B) · Media Studies (B)
GCSEs (EBacc): Further Maths · English Language & Literature · Biology · Chemistry · Physics · Economics · History · Spanish
Anthropic Academy: AI Fluency for Students · AI Fluency: Capabilities and Limits · AI Fluency: Framework and Foundations

SELECTED WORK (independent projects, March 2026 – present)

- **ICARUS — autonomous flight software for a DJI Mini 2.** Turned a consumer drone into an autonomous reconnaissance aircraft run from a 2019 Android phone, at zero cost. 552 self-test assertions run on the handset before every flight; three crashes documented with the fault each exposed; one feature paused on a measured camera limit rather than shipped on a guess.
- **Agent fleet and second brain.** Four Macs sharing one 12 TB knowledge vault, with Claude agents for building, intelligence collection, security monitoring and review under a supervisor that restarts what fails.
- **Quantitative trading research.** A paper-traded engine for five-minute crypto markets turned $50 into $106.56 over 289 trades. I then built an order-book fill check, found only 2 of 304 orders would have filled at the assumed price, and invalidated the result myself.
- **Also:** KAM, a private-beta intelligence platform that hosts my dissertation model · an AI-use declaration system for my own coursework · Future Warfare, red- and blue-team drills against my own infrastructure.

LEADERSHIP AND EMPLOYMENT

Head Student, Sixth Form and Upper School — Harlington 2023 – 2024

Elected by staff to lead the student leadership team; ran the year's major events and spoke for the school at open days and visits from politicians. Organised a Movember fundraiser end to end, raising **£750, the most any single student has raised for the school.**

Team Member — Bargain Booze, Loughborough 2026 – present

Licensed retail alongside final year: customer service, restocking and store presentation.

Team Member — Buy Sell and Loan (Questar Ltd), Luton 2024 – present

Regulated retail in high-value goods: item valuation, compliant record-keeping, cash handling, running the store independently.

Team Member — Pret A Manger, Luton Airport (airside) 2022 – 2024

High-volume service at one of Pret's busiest UK sites; barista training taken on above grade; ran the kiosk through to closing.

SKILLS

Research and analysis	Primary and secondary source analysis · research design and methods · long-form essays and written argument to deadline · open-source research and multi-source verification
Leadership and communication	Public speaking to students, parents and visitors · planning and running large events · leading a student team · fundraising · customer service in regulated retail
Technical	Building with Claude and Claude Code: Claude writes the code; I decide what to build, make the design choices and test the results · AI agents and automation
Languages	English (native) · French (university module, learning)
Music	Drums: Grade 1