# **CHEN (Lily) SAMPLE**

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### **EDUCATION**

# 2016-20 University of Aberdeen, MA Joint Hons Economics and Finance (1st / 2.1 expected)

Courses include: Regional and Urban Economics, Econometrics, Corporate Finance, Empirical Methods in Finance, Financial Strategy and Investment Management.

Dissertation: The economics of sustainable energy: a case study of wind power in NE Scotland.

## 2015-16 Wuhan University, Wuhan, Hubei, China, Bachelor in Economics

Courses included: Macroeconomics and Microeconomics, Public Economics, Industrial Economics and History of Economic Thoughts and English.

International Partner Degree Programme with degrees awarded from both universities.

# 2011-2015 Wuhan Britain-China School, Wuhan, China

International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme: included courses in Chinese, English, Economics, History, Mathematics and Physics. Score 36. For the Creativity, Action and Service Program I volunteered for two local charities: helping primary aged children with their homework at an after-school club and fundraising for the International Children's Heart Foundation which cares for children with congenital heart defects, provides surgical supplies and diagnostic equipment and trains surgeons and medical staff.

# **RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE**

## Summer 2019 Intern - Societe Generale (China) Ltd, Wuhan, China

Worked for 12 weeks at this international French bank which offers a range of customised financial services and investment solutions to high-end customers.

- Served individual and corporate customers under supervision in line with bank processes
- Learned the procedures for comprehensive financial products such as savings and deposits, investment products, home mortgage and corporate loans
- Learned valuable sales techniques to offer these products to customers
- Carried out thorough credit checks on new customers.

## Summer 2018 Intern – Ruihua (Crowe Horwath) CPA, Wuhan, China

The firm offers a comprehensive range of professional services relating to: financial audit, stock issuance and public listing, corporate restructuring, capital management, financial advisory, management consultancy, and tax advisory etc.

- Worked as a junior member of a team which was involved in audit preparation for central state-owned enterprises that are directly owned by the State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission of the State Council ("SASAC")
- Gained a good understanding of the technical aspects of accounting
- Developed analytical thinking.

#### OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

# Sept 2019 – present Non-medical Personal Assistant, University of Aberdeen

After attending the disability awareness training session I was allocated to a pool of students. So far I have been a note-taker for a student studying Accounting and was a reader and scribe for Finance and Economics level 2 students during the Christmas exams.

### 2017-18 Part-time Sales Assistant, Currys, Aberdeen

Worked 18 hours per week during term-time. Built up a good knowledge of the electronic products in order to provide high quality customer service. Enjoyed helping customers to choose appropriate technical solutions.

#### **WORK RELATED SKILLS**

#### Communication

Working in sales improved my conversational English and I have sought feedback and taken additional classes at University to improve my written English skills. My confidence in public speaking was enhanced through taking part in university group presentations in English and Mandarin. (IELTS score 8.5)

### Time management

Working part-time (in the UK) while studying enhanced my organisational skills as I planned ahead to ensure that all university deadlines were met. During my summer jobs I learned to prioritise tasks to ensure smooth workflow within my teams.

#### **Teamwork**

Highly developed teamwork skills from volunteering, employment and studies. All of my work experience has been in teams where I have learned how to collaborate and take instructions. I organised a study group at Wuhan and have enjoyed several group assignments at Aberdeen.

# **Commercial Awareness**

Developed a good understanding of retail banking and professional accountancy practice through my summer jobs with international companies in Wuhan. Follow the financial news regularly to have full knowledge of the economy.

### IT and Analysis

I am an experienced user of MS Word, Excel and PowerPoint for university assignments. Additionally I have developed a very good working knowledge of different estimation techniques and accurate interpretation of economic models using actual data through my degree studies.

# **ACHIEVEMENTS and INTERESTS**

In Aberdeen I am an active member of the University Economics and Business Society and the University Art Society and regularly attend meeting and events. I also volunteer at the Confucius Institute, visiting local schools to promote Chinese culture.

I enjoy learning about my home country's artistic culture and was a very keen member of the Painting and Calligraphy Association at Wuhan University.

#### **REFERENCES**

Available on request