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EDUCATION

- 2016 – 2020 **University of Aberdeen, BSc (Hons) Geography**, expected 2.1
Courses include: Environmental Hydrology, Montane Environments, Data Analysis, Remote Sensing and Geographical Information Systems, and Environment and Society. I also took part in fieldwork at various locations close to Aberdeen and in the Italian Alps.
I recently submitted my dissertation, a comparative study of proposed hydro developments in various Scottish and English locations.
- 2009 – 2015 **Tavistock College**
A-levels: Biology (B), English (B), Geography (B)
GCSEs: 10 at A* to C, including Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics
I was awarded the Johnston prize for best Geography project in my final year.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

- June – Aug 2019 **Intern, University of Edinburgh/Bright Green Placements**
I assisted the Director of Social Responsibility and Sustainability and the Climate Change Manager to review the University's policy on renewable energy. In particular, I gathered evidence on costs and benefits of renewables and investigated sources of funding. My research and recommendations were incorporated into the updated policy and I was able to contribute to a plan for implementation in the last weeks of my placement.
- June – Aug 2018 **Volunteer Warden, Dartmoor National Park**
I assisted the Ranger Service with a variety of tasks, from acting as an additional guide for groups on walks through the park to providing an extra pair of hands during practical demonstrations and assisting with habitat management tasks such as scrub clearing.
- Oct 2015 – July 2016 **Conservation Volunteer, Conservation Task Force, Brazil**
I was involved in a rainforest conservation project during my gap year. My responsibilities were extremely varied, ranging from organising fundraising initiatives such as sponsored hikes to writing publicity materials and web content. I was also involved in the educational campaign where I visited schools to talk to children about the importance of rain forests.

ADDITIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

- Oct 2018 – present **Bar Staff, Friar Tuck's, Aberdeen**
I serve drinks and food and provide a friendly and welcoming atmosphere for customers. In my manager's absence, I am also responsible for supervising other staff members and drawing up rotas. Working in this busy bar has greatly improved my team working and time management skills.
- Dec 2016 – May 2018 **Retail Assistant, Tesco, Aberdeen**
I worked both on the checkout and on the sales floor, replenishing stock and assisting customers. I often worked under pressure and sometimes dealt with difficult customers.

RELEVANT SKILLS

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| IT Skills | I have used Microsoft Word, Excel and PowerPoint as part of my coursework and SPSS for statistical analysis. I also use the internet for research and am familiar with several email packages. As part of my degree, I was introduced to ArcGIS. |
| Research | My degree has introduced me to a variety of research methods which I have applied in coursework and my dissertation research. In my placement last summer, I also carried out research and presented this in a professional format to my managers. |
| Communication | Through my work in retail and in Friar Tuck's I have learned how to communicate with a wide variety of people. During my gap year and my placement at the University of Edinburgh, I also had the chance to prepare reports and publicity materials which were distributed widely. This, along with completing my dissertation, has greatly improved my written communication skills. |
| Teamwork | My teamwork skills have been essential when working behind a busy bar and in retail. I also have experience of team working from preparing and giving group presentations at University. As a diver, I also know that working well with others can be important in keeping everyone safe. |
| Organisation | Juggling part-time work with my studies and outside interests has helped me develop in this area, particularly since taking on a committee position for my club. I also had to be extremely organised during my placement last summer as senior staff depended on receiving my findings to be able to progress their own work. |

INTERESTS & ACHIEVEMENTS

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| Diving | I have been a member of the University Sub Aqua Club since first year and have taken part in a number of trips, mainly around Scotland. I have also been elected secretary for the last two years. My duties range from taking minutes and chasing actions to assisting the President and Vice-President in organising trips and events. |
| Geography Society | I very much enjoy taking part in the activities organised by the Society. Last year I was also involved with the fundraising for the annual ball. |
| Music | I have been playing the cello for 7 years and have achieved grade 5. I played both in the school orchestra and Symphony Orchestra at the University. |
| Travel | I enjoy travelling and have visited several countries in South America during my gap year, including Argentina, Bolivia and Peru. I particularly enjoyed Chile where I managed to hear a performance of the Orquesta Sinfónica Nacional Juvenil, the National Youth Orchestra. I have also travelled in Europe. |

REFERENCES

Available on request