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EDUCATION

MSc Economics, Durham University 10/2018-09/2019

Relevant modules: Environmental Economics & Policy, Natural Resource Management, Advanced Microeconomics, Advanced Macroeconomics, Econometrics, Microeconometrics, Industrial Organisation, Behavioural Finance & Economics

BSc (Hons) Economics with placement (2:1), University of Bath 09/2014 – 06/2018

Relevant modules: Environmental Economics (71%), Environmental & Natural Resource Economics (71%), Growth Theory (71%)

Dissertation topic: Determinants of pro-environmental behaviour: the role of self-identity and internal factors (70%)

A-levels, John Leggott College, Scunthorpe 09/2012 – 07/2014

Mathematics (A*), Further Mathematics (A), Economics (A)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Economics & Policy Consulting, PwC, Belfast 08/2016 – 07/2017

Industrial Placement

- Conducted a thorough literature review on consumers' willingness to pay for undergrounding the Beaulieu-Denny overhead transmission lines.
- Researched monetary valuation techniques to assess the social value created by the energy provider.
- Conducted telephone interviews with a wide range of stakeholders on two projects. Facilitated the organisation of focus groups and workshops. Cleaned and organised the collected data. Performed qualitative analysis of the findings.
- Applied various statistical techniques to analyse the performance results for the mid-project review.
- Contributed to writing particular chapters in three reports. Formatted two final deliverables in line with the PwC brand style.
- Assisted with the technical part of the competitive proposal for the Department for International Development.
- Designed infographics to help visualise data.
- Prepared PowerPoint presentations for weekly internal meetings as well as and mid-project reviews for external meetings.

Chip System, Moscow, Russia 08/2015 – 09/2015

Procurement internship

- Conducted market analysis in the field of electronics manufacturers.
- Assessed a large number of distributors according to the internal criteria, such as product range, logistics costs and average lead time.
- Liaised with international clients to follow up on the proposed contracts.

Moscow Institute of Energy Safety and Energy Economy

Intern

07/2014 – 05/2015

Remote working on the development of a new official website for the institute; translated the main content from Russian into English.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

St Cuthbert's Environmental Society, Durham University

09/2018 - present

Assisted with the organisation of a 'Zero Waste Week'. Prepared facts about waste and recycling that were distributed in the dining hall. In a small team of three, updated the recycling signs in self-catered accommodation at college.

University of Bath Open Day

06/2018

Liaised with prospective students and their parents to promote the BSc Economics at the University of Bath.

Volunteer at Bosco Fresh Fest, Moscow

06/ 2016

Assisted with the logistics at the backstage throughout the festival ensuring timely arrival of all artists.

Crew Member at Freshers' Week

09/2015

- Supported new students and their families at the arrival weekend.
- Working in a team of 11 crew members supervised a group of over 100 first-year students during their first week at university.

Student Governor at John Leggott College

09/2013 – 06/2014

- Organised monthly meetings with academic and lead reps to review the progress of the earlier implemented ideas and to plan further actions.
- Collaborated with other fellow governors, senior managers and Equality & Diversity team.
- Prepared progress reports for monthly board meetings.
- Arranged a training event for the student body and delivered a presentation on 'How to ask effective questions'.

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

IT:

- Microsoft Office suite (including Analysis ToolPak) – Advanced
- Stata – Advanced
- R – Intermediate
- Eviews - Basic

Languages:

- Russian – Native speaker
- English– Fluent (IELTS 8.0)
- French – Intermediate (B1)