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Address(s): Leeds / Nottingham

Education

Leeds Beckett University: 2018 - Expected 2021. BA Journalism

Relevant modules: Digital Publishing, Digital Newsdays, Broadcast Newsdays, Magazine Newsdays, Media Practices and Principles, Media Futures, The Public Sphere,

Redhill Academy Sixth Form: 2016-2018

A levels: History (A), Sociology (A), English Literature (B)

The Redhill Academy: 2011 - 2016

GCSEs: 7 A*- C, including Maths (A), Science (A) English language (A) and English literature (A).

Work Experience:

March 2021

5 days work experience writing for the Yorkshire Evening Post, Leeds

- Contacting sources for stories to set up and conduct interviews
- Writing local stories to an professional, industry standard with a quick turnaround
- Being published on the front cover of the newspaper as well as inside two other issues

Skills developed: adapting to the day's events, interviewing sources, working under tight time constraints, juggling multiple news stories at once

September 2020 - Present

Kitchen Porter at TGI Fridays, Leeds

- Adapting to a busy chain of restaurant/kitchen
- Working at a high pace and efficiency, while ensuring high hygiene standards during the coronavirus pandemic
- Communicating effectively with the team to provide a quality service for customers

Skills developed: Organisation, paying attention to detail, working under pressure

July 2016 - September 2018

Chef at The Crimson Tree, Nottingham

- Preparing high quality tapas dishes in a high pressure, 2 person kitchen under time constraints.
- Communicating effectively with other team members to ensure efficient food service.
- Maintaining high hygiene standards across the restaurant and kitchen.

Skills developed: Willingness to learn, time-management, teamwork, leadership, creativity, multitasking

January 2015 - June 2015

Volunteer at Mind Charity, Nottingham

- Managing the shop floor once a week, maintaining tidiness and pristine presentation of displays
- Serving customers with a smile and negotiating sales

Skills developed: Money handling, customer service, tidiness, independent working

Journalism Project:

- Building a website showcasing my research into the world of sustainable living
- Contacting and interviewing experts in the field of sustainable living
- Creating and embedding multimedia elements such as audio, video and infographics

Skills developed: Web design, interviewing, researching, creativity, IT skills

Additional Skills and Achievements:**IT Skills:**

- Video editing using Adobe and Avid Media
- Creating and editing podcasts in Audacity
- Editing magazine pages using Adobe InDesign and Photoshop
- European Computer Driving Licence - Distinction*
- Creating infographics and visual media

Writing Skills

- Published writer on the front cover of the Yorkshire Evening Post and on their digital media as well as in Leeds Now, Right in the Gary Kellys and The Ultimate Goals

Presenting skills

- Co-hosting on The Championship Chatter Podcast
- Sports reader for university radio newscasts
- TV presenter on university TV newscasts

References:

Karl Hodge
Shaima Swift

Course Director/Tutor
Owner of The Crimson Tree

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