MOLLY FARQUHAR

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EDUCATION

2013 – 2017 University of Aberdeen

MA Honours Psychology (2.1.predicted)

Honours options include: Several courses in Neuropsychology, Methodology, Health Behaviour, Stress and Disease, Psychological Assessment and Human Memory.

Thesis, "Jekyll and Hyde: The affect of priming on person perception".

Subsidiary passes: Computing and Counselling Skills.

2007 – 2013 Mintlaw Academy, Aberdeenshire

Advanced Highers: English B, Geography B

Highers: English A, Geography A, Psychology B, Maths B, Art C 7 Credit Standard Grades including Computing and German

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Summer 2016 HMP Peterhead, Aberdeenshire

Assistant Researcher

Conducted a study on ADHD working under the direction of a chartered clinical psychologist. Befriended prisoners, administered psychometric tests, compiled psychology reports and interpreted results of data obtained. Increased my knowledge and expertise in research methods and improved my time management and organisation skills to meet the study deadlines.

2015 – 2016 Linn Moor Residential School, Peterculter

Care Assistant (part-time, term-time)

Worked with children with severe Autistic Spectrum Disorders. Main duties involved working closely with the Clinical Psychologists on duty to provide adequate support to allow the children to carry out daily activities. Contributed to monthly reports and assessments. This experience developed my teamwork, counselling and communication skills (including learning Makaton) to work effectively with children and staff.

2014 – 2015 Niteline, Students' Association, University of Aberdeen

Administrator

Student information and non-advisory confidential support centre. Used extensive listening skills and counselling knowledge to provide information to students on personal and other stressful issues.

Summer 2015 Camp America, High Plains Camp, Wyoming, USA

Camp Counsellor

Organised daily programmes and personalised exercise activities for overweight teenagers. Used counselling skills and empathy to support behavioural change and creativity to make activities fun and keep the young people motivated.

KEY SKILLS

Communication Confident public speaker through project presentations and school debating

team. Developed persuasive negotiation skills from working with offenders, children and young people. Excellent listening skills developed from counselling course and work experience, particularly Niteline and my experience at HMP

Craiginches. Good written skills from course work and report writing.

Teamwork Experienced and adept at working effectively with people in a range of settings

including social care, retail sales, voluntary committee and study groups. Gained experience in influencing and motivating team members through working in

dedicated teams at Linn Moor and High Plains Camp.

Research & IT Competent using SPSS to analyse research data. Skilled at data collection using

both qualitative and quantitative methods. Excellent working knowledge of Word,

Excel and PowerPoint. Also familiar with Java programming.

Driving Full, clean licence and car owner.

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Summer 2014 Sales Assistant, Marks & Spencer plc, Aberdeen

Worked as a member of the team in the food department, replenishing stock and

answering customer enquiries.

2013 – 2014 **Weekend Sales Assistant**, Dorothy Perkins, Aberdeen

Developed teamwork and customer service skills working in this busy fashion retailer. Duties included keeping the store clean and tidy, cashing up at the end

of the day and stocktaking.

Summer 2013 Pool Attendant, Waterside Hotel, Peterhead

ACHIEVEMENTS AND INTERESTS

Psychology Student member of the British Psychological Society and active member of the

University Psychology Society regularly attending meetings and events.

Representation Elected as a Class Representative for Psychology in second and third years

which involved canvassing student opinions, suggestions and complaints regarding the curriculum and representing these to academic staff to effect

change.

Volunteering In third year I chaired a committee which organised a fashion show raising

£1500 for the Aberdeen Students' Charities Campaign.

School Sixth Form Prefect, member of debating team, Finance Director for Young

Enterprise company which was third in the Regional Finals.

Other I have recently taken up photography which combines with my other hobbies:

hill walking and cycling.

REFERENCES