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Professional Qualifications and Education

ACCA MEMBER Qualified Chartered Certified Accountant since October 2019

DEGREE | SEPTEMBER 2013-JUNE 2016| ANGLIA RUSKIN UNIVERSITY
First Class Honours Degree in Accounting and Finance.

Chartered Management Institute **Eastern Award for Excellence in Enterprise –** awarded in 2015 for the highest module score of 87% in Enterprise & Entrepreneurial Management in the East.

Skills & Abilities

MICROSOFT OFFICE - my biggest asset is my proficiency in excel including complex formulae and VBA for which I've completed professional training.

DATA ANALYSIS- significant experience in analysing large data sets and manipulating said data for various reporting requirements.

STAKEHOLDER MANAGEMENT **-** over the past four years I've worked with business partners to bring their ideas for process improvement to life and suggest my own ideas, particularly for more technical areas of development.

ESSBASE - significant experience in spreadsheet analysis, hierarchy structure amendments, writing dynamic calculation formulae, load rules, MaxL scripts and calculation scripts in Essbase script language, some experience building databases.

BUSINESS OBJECTS - experience in querying, analysis, extraction and scheduling of data.

SQL - experience developing queries to extract nightly data sets to Essbase using SQL.

Experience

SENIOR FINANCE ANALYST - COST MI PRODUCTION | SANTANDER UK | JANUARY 2020 - PRESENT
After just three months in my last role, I was offered a promotion and this was made official at the end of December 2019. I have designed and implemented many new processes, replacing outdated and clunky models to streamline reporting and ensure greater accuracy. In doing so, I have enabled the team to better cope in the fast-paced environment in which we work as these models allow for greater flexibility in reporting. I have also vastly altered the structure of the Essbase cube I am responsible for, engaging with the business in order to consolidate the data of many systems into one to be able to offer the most pragmatic solution for our customers.

FINANCE ANALYST - COST MI PRODUCTION | SANTANDER UK | AUGUST 2019 - DECEMBER 2019
After successfully transforming the databases I worked with in my previous role, I was hand picked for the creation of a new team within my department. My role was to develop the long neglected cost database, along with various connecting processes and reports so that ultimately cost savings could be made across Finance.

FINANCE ANALYST - CONSOLIDATED MI PRODUCTION | SANTANDER UK | JUNE 2018 - AUGUST 2019
My role involved management of a range of data projects and several Essbase databases. The VBA and advanced Excel skills I've developed have enabled better granularity of data, depth of analysis and integrity of reporting. I was responsible for the maintenance and architecture of 2 major databases used in Finance MI, which involved adherence to technical constraints whilst meeting the requirements of customers in a user-friendly manner.

FINANCE GRADUATE | SANTANDER UK | SEPTEMBER 2016 - JUNE 2018
My initial placement on the Graduate scheme was within the Consolidated MI Production team in Finance. The role involved uploading inputs to an Essbase database from all over the Finance function (~25 data providers) thereby gaining significant experience in spreadsheet analysis. I was the main point of contact with IT for making all hierarchy amendments to our database and learned the Essbase-specific programming language to make more complex, formulated data items.

I arranged to have my next role in the Retail MI Production team. Here, I was tasked with improving a number of complex processes. To do this, I learned to use Business Objects and MicroStrategy, built on my already advanced excel skills and taught myself VBA to automate the processes I was designing and managing. To support my developing passion for process improvement, I completed VBA professional training and became the expert within the team.

CAMP COUNSELOR - HORSE RIDING | FERNWOOD COVE, MAINE, U.S.A | MAY – AUGUST 2016

SUMMER INTERN | SANTANDER UK PLC | JULY – SEPTEMBER 2015
I secured a 10 week internship with Santander from over 5200 applicants. I worked in the Finance Governance & Control area within the Finance function of the business. My work involved ensuring compliance with Acts such as the Sarbanes Oxley Act 2002 and various internal policies.

TEACHER & CLUB MANAGER | LA VALLETTA RIDING CLUB, TURIN, ITALY | JUNE 2014

Aspirations - Through continuing to work in a position of significant responsibility, I hope to further develop my people management skills in preparation for a leadership role in the near future. I see my career progressing by developing skills in the space between Finance and IT.

Interests - I am a keen player of a wide variety of video games, enjoy surfing when I'm near the coast and play netball for two teams. My favourite way to spend my annual leave is to visit new countries and do something adventurous.