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EDUCATION

University of Cambridge | BA (Hons) Economics | Cambridge (UK) | October 2017 - Present

- Expected 1st Class, with 73.2 in Part I (ranked 14th/156 in cohort) and 67.5 in Part IIA
- Completed modules in Applied Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Time Series and Panel Data Econometrics, Development Economics, and Political Economy
- Dissertation: "Political Rent Seeking Behaviour: Evidence from the MPs' Expenses Scandal", which empirically identified how corrupt practices spread through political networks and self-reinforced itself

King Edward's School | Secondary Education | Bath (UK) | September 2010 – July 2017

- A-Levels: Further Maths (A*), Maths (A*), German (A*), History (A*), Politics (A)
- GCSEs: 12 A*s and 1 A

WORK EXPERIENCE

Harvard University | Research Intern | Massachusetts (USA) | May 2020 – Present

- Working with the Berkman Klein Center's 'AI Principles and Practice' team on issues of inclusion, media and content moderation to create resources for government decision makers

Oliver Wyman | Consultant Intern | London (UK) | June 2019 – August 2019

- Staffed on projects including advising an international financial institution on how to develop local currency debt markets and defining a new 5-year growth strategy for a leading insurance firm
- Praised as "consistently exceeding competencies" for work on core tasks such as building a revenue growth model, preparing slides and drafting report sections, as well as proactively creating a 'cheat sheet' for client
- Volunteered for a new firm-wide initiative by researching how to better engage men in gender equality efforts and played an active role in the GLOW (LGBT+) outreach program

Cambridge Development Initiative, NGO | Cambridge (UK) & Dar-Es-Salaam (Tanzania)

Research Director | September 2018 – September 2019

- Coordinated all research efforts of a registered non-profit operating in Tanzania, leading a team of 9 volunteers; copyedited and established an external peer review panel to ensure high standard of published work
- Increased output of reports from 4 to 8 via improving internal recruitment and fostering partnerships with the College of Business Education, Polygeia, and The Wilberforce Society

M&E Officer | February 2018 – August 2018

- Created monitoring framework and 50-page impact report to assess the effectiveness of pilot project during 2-month fieldwork using both quantitative and qualitative methods (incl. surveys, web analytics, and interviews)
- Oversaw the successful handover of a 4-year initiative to a local partner, working with the Country Director, and was selected by the Executive Committee to be the interim Project Director for the Entrepreneurship Track

McKinsey | Discover Programme | London (UK) | April 2019

- Developed professional skills in communication and problem solving via workshops and a team case study

Analyx | Insight Programme | Poznań (Poland) | December 2018

- Learned how to analyse large data sets using R to evaluate marketing spend effectiveness

180 Degrees Consultancy | Student Consultant | Cambridge (UK) | January 2018 – March 2018

- Refined the business model of a Croatian start-up used to set up a food-laboratory and restaurant
- Identified customer segments and successfully persuaded client to change primary location to Zagreb

Nestlé Wagner GmbH | Work Experience | Nonnweiler (Germany) | July 2016

- Calculated customer profitability, evaluated promotions, and checked invoices for the BeNeLux export market
- Discovered and corrected a math error in the sales forecasting model and received an offer for a placement year

United Nations | Research Assistant | Geneva (Switzerland) & Bath (UK) | February 2016 – April 2016

- Conducted secondary research concerning the impact of refugees on host countries to assist aid to Syria
- Independently covered 20+ academic papers, outlined gaps in the literature, and wrote a brief internal report

LEADERSHIP ROLES

Hear This Idea | Co-Host/Founder | *Cambridge (UK)* | *October 2019 - Present*

- Running a podcast and blog to interview academics and make their research accessible to the general public
- Growing a dedicated following with circa 300 listeners per episode and 150 clicks per article

Cambridge Society For Economic Pluralism | President | *Cambridge (UK)* | *March 2018 – March 2019*

- Led the largest Cambridge social-science student society with over 1,000 members, managing a committee of 12 and overseeing 25 events throughout the academic year
- Scaled membership by 30% via launching new outreach initiatives (incl. essay competition, video promotions, and a weekly newsletter) as well as collaborating with The Economist and eight student societies
- Successfully introduced a 50-50 gender quota for external speakers and created a curriculum reform commission to promote diversity in the faculty; represented students at Rethinking Economics events

King Edward's School | Senior Prefect | *Bath (UK)* | *July 2016 – July 2017*

- Elected as one of twelve by peers and staff; managed a team of 15 and held weekly meetings with senior staff

VOLUNTEERING AND SOCIAL IMPACT

Coronavirus Tutoring Initiative | Tutor | *Remote* | *April 2020 – Present*

- Provide free tutoring in A-Level Maths and Statistics to students whose education was disrupted by COVID-19

Cambridge University Students Union | Access Volunteer | *Cambridge (UK)* | *October 2017 – May 2020*

- Top fundraiser in Christ's Telephone-Campaign, individually raising £75,000+ for the Student Support Fund
- Volunteered as a mentor in the shadowing scheme and organised college tours to help disadvantaged applicants

May Week Alternative | College Ambassador | *Cambridge (UK)* | *January 2020 – May 2020*

- Run campus events and social media outreach to help raise over £100,000+ for the Anti-Malaria Foundation

Green Vision | Head Facilitator | *Bath (UK)* | *January 2013 – September 2016*

- Organised three Youth Climate Summits with 100+ attendees to coordinate schools' eco activities

HONOURS AND AWARDS

2019 | Awarded the **Exhibition Prize** for high attainment in examination performance

2018 | Elected to **Scholar** at Christ's College for excellent academic performance

2017 | Runner Up in **Bank of England's** Target 2.0 Area Final having captained school team

2016 | Shortlisted for **Royal Economic Society's** 'Young Economist of the Year' (as one of 19 from 1,700 entries)

2015 | **Brilliant.org** Top Problem Contributor, receiving personal thanks from the Content Team Lead

SKILLS AND INTEREST

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| Languages | English (Native) and German (Native) |
| Coding | Intermediate in STATA, LaTeX and Google Analytics; completed introductory courses in R and HTML |
| IT Software | Highly proficient in Office Suite and its plug-ins; competent in Adobe CS; qualified radio producer |
| Oratory | Accomplished public speaker, winning 'Best Delegate' at the international BISMUN competition |
| Sport | Handball (Cambridge University Men's 1st Team, Varsity Winner) and Squash (College 2nd Team) |