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PERSONAL STATEMENT

I am currently working as an Optometrist. I see the Optometrist as more than just the traditional role of performing eye examinations. I would like to think the role is multidimensional. I am helping the community in regard with the vision and I use my creativity to come up with adequate recommendations. This also spills over to leading a team and being savvy in terms of business skills.

EMPLOYMENT AND VOLUNTARY WORK HISTORY

Matthews Eyewear Eyecare – Full-time Optometrist (2019-present)

Performing eye examinations in a more specialised setting, focusing on speciality contact lenses, glaucoma and ocular pathology.

Specsavers Hornby – Full-time Optometrist (2016-2018)

Performing eye examinations and providing recommendations for visual needs as well as aiding team members, polishing skills in effective teamwork and leadership

Specsavers New Lynn – Part-time Optical Assistant (2013-2015)

Task performed include pre-testing, dispensing and interacting with customers on the shop floor, improving my skills in communicating with confidence, teamwork and performing under pressure due to the working environment

University of Auckland – Lab Demonstrator (2015)

Helping students with their learning and practical knowledge, while developing my own confidence in the field and ability to explain complicated concepts

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Optometry (Honours), University of Auckland (2011-2015)
- Certificate in Science and Technology, Massey University, Palmerston North (2010, PNBHS Year 13 accelerated program)
- Palmerston North Boys' High School (PNBHS) Palmerston North, New Zealand (2006-2010)

LEADERSHIP, COMMUNICATION AND TEAMWORK

New Zealand Optometry Student Society – Treasurer (2015)

Working together with the NZOSS committee to run events for Optometry students, as well as looking after the funds of NZOSS and preparing financial statements, learning how to finance and plan these events with other members

Class Representative (2013-2015)

Providing a link between students and the lectures and staff of university, voicing concerns and communicating between both parties

SPORTS

Christchurch City Weightlifting Club (2016-current)

Weightlifting has been a keen hobby of mine. I am part of a club where we compete in Olympic Weightlifting. We also host and take part in many competitions throughout the year

PUBLICATION

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