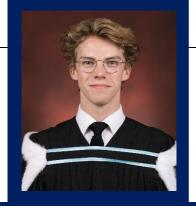
## **OCB**

# Thomas O'Callaghan-Brown



#### **OBJECTIVE**

Having spent university studying both science and arts, I have come to appreciate what both have to offer, and their crossover. I am interested by this interdisciplinary approach, not only in the skills each element provides, but in the crossing over of content — the interconnected web of information where one field leads naturally into another. I hope to pursue this and apply this perspective to whatever field I can, and perhaps using such a view, I could make a difference for the better.

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## **EDUCATION**

#### McGill University, Montreal, Canada

B.A. Philosophy Major, Biology Minor

Cumulative GPA: 3.79 /4.0 (A-) (Equivalent of first class or high second-class degree)

- Alma Mater Entrance Scholarship (2018) for academic merit preceding McGill I
- Golden Key International Honours Society Award (2019) awarded for being in the top 15% of my program
- Published in the Montreal AI Ethics Institute for an essay on Al's moral status and rights (2019)
- <u>https://montrealethics.ai/why-the-contemporary-view-of-the-relationship-between-ais-moral-status-and-rights-is-wrong/</u>
- Graduated with Distinction with a cumulative GPA in the top 25% of the entire Arts Faculty of McGill
- Classes and Topics covered:

BIOL 465 - Conservation Biology (A)

BIOL 540 - Ecology of Species Invasions (A)

9 credits (3 semesters) of Independent Research Projects (A, A, A)

PHIL 310 – Intermediate class on first-order logic, and mathematical logic with Gödel's incompleteness theorems (A)

PHIL 475, 480, 481 – Topics classes on the limits of phenomenology, the philosophy of technology, and AI (A-, A, A)

## Winchester College, Hampshire, UK

- -Exhibitioner award upon entry to Winchester (Academic Scholarship for performance in the Scholarship exams at 13)
- -British Biology Challenge Gold Medal 2018

Cambridge IGCSE certification 2016:

-Biology (A\*), Chemistry (A\*), Physics (A\*), Mathematics (A\*), German (A\*), Russian (A\*), Latin (A\*), French (A\*), English (A)

Cambridge Pre-U certification 2017/2018:

-Chemistry (D3/A), Biology (D2/A\*), Theology and Philosophy (D2/A\*), and Mathematics taken a year early (D2/A\*)

## **EXPERIENCE**

#### May 2022 - present

## Intern • Gluon Capital • London, UK

- Gluon is an Impact Venture Capital firm with interests primarily in EVs, hydrogen fuel cells, and renewable energy. As an intern my role has been, summarising news articles related to the interests of Gluon, working with teams to provide research for analysts and executives at Gluon and its partners on a variety of fields.
- So far I have assisted with several presentations to companies and Port Authorities around the world.
- This requires summaries of national or private environmental policies, and the visualisation of data in a clear and concise way, in depth research and rapid learning on unfamiliar topics, and clear communication with team.

#### March 2022 - present

#### Intern • AimHi • London, UK

- AimHi is a crowd-funded organization aiming to increase scientific education and build a community of environmental consciousness. Once the company had increased in size and influence, I became an Impact Intern. My role is to compile contact lists from thousands of B Corps in the UK and reach out to them offering our climate course. Additionally, I have edited various contracts and formal documents for AimHi.
- I have reached out to over 200 companies, and assisted in the set up of the intern program.
- I honed skills in interpersonal communication and persuasion as well as translation of scientific knowledge into a comprehensive form dependent on the recipient, and research to discover email addresses. https://www.aimhi.earth/our-organisation

#### LANGUAGES

English

French

German

Native Proficiency

Advanced (C1)

Upper Intermediate (B1)

## **SKILLS**

#### Coding

\_\_\_\_\_ Proficient in R

(Packages include: 'tidyverse', 'dplyr', 'plyr', 'vegan', 'reshape2', 'ggplot', 'adespatial')

- HTML

In the summer of 2022, I decided to make my own website by teaching myself HTML it can be found in the Website section on page 1

- Microsoft Office Suite
- JMP
- ImageJ

Experienced in editing and summarising works of writing

#### Fast Learner

 I picked up R in 3 months and coded a website in 1 month off of no prior experience in coding.

Experienced with both formal scientific writing, and literary-style argumentation

Trained in Active listening

**Analytical Thinking** 

**Data Presentation** 

**Detail Oriented** 

Mental and Physical Organisational Skills

Social Media Proficiency

Cooking & Baking

Poker

## INTERESTS

Photography
Surfing
Hiking
Gardening
Early 19<sup>th</sup> century fiction
Postmodern authors & thinkers
Bonsai
Chess

January 2021- June 2022

#### Undergraduate Researcher • Abouheif Lab • Montreal, Canada

- As a researcher I developed an independent research project to study the nature of Atavisms and Modularity in Horses along with another undergrad.
- The paper is currently entering its final stage before being sent off for review, pre-publishing.
- This required a hypothesis and contacting the necessary researchers and horse breeders for assistance, followed by an analysis of the results and the construction of a publishable-quality scientific writeup. Final write-up involved using R to construct 6 heatmaps to demonstrate the data we had compiled.

#### January 2022- May 2022

#### Undergraduate Researcher • Sunday Lab • Montreal, Canada

- -Using R to deal with a large set of Beach Seine data, assisting in the first year of a multi-year study on latitudinal differences in biodiversity along the West coast of North America.
- When my time with the project ended I had over 1300 lines of code and 24 figures. This work will be used to assist a PhD candidate and pave the way for the rest of the years of study.
- -To complete this I had to learn how to use R in 3 months, working collaboratively through GitHub with a team of graduate students, and presenting the findings to the researchers who gathered the data to show the culmination of their effort.

#### September 2020 - March 2022

#### Ambassador • AimHi • London, UK

- -The first ambassador in the company, my role was to publicise AimHi through social media platforms and aid in PR campaigns.
- The Ambassador and Intern program now has over a dozen people involved from countries all over the world all working to help educate companies and individuals on the nature of the climate crisis.
- In this role I learned invaluable lessons in teamwork, and how the early stages of a non-profit pan out. This was also my first experience with an entirely online role, an environment I quickly learned to navigate.

#### VOLUNTEERING

September 2020, September 2021

#### Access Ally • McGill Orientation Week • Montreal, Canada

-For two years at Orientation week I trained as an Access Ally to assist in any issues of accessibility, and as a point of support for new undergrads. I took part in active listening and mental health support training to assist and provide support to any sexual assault survivors or other incoming students in need of assistance.

#### October 2019 - January 2021

#### Ambassador • Guayaki Sustainable Rainforest Products • Montreal, Canada

-Worked on campus to promote Guayaki's Yerba Mate, practicing public relations and sales promoting sustainable products.

#### September 2017 - May 2018

#### Volunteer • Winchester Night shelter for the Homeless • Winchester, UK

-Volunteered at the Night Shelter once a week and promoted public awareness in assisting the homeless population.

May 2017 – September 2017

#### Volunteer • Sunrise Care Home • Surrey, UK

-Helped to look after residents, keep company, and develop personal communication skills

## **LEADERSHIP**

June 2020- April 2021

#### Director of PR • McGill Student Cancer Society • Montreal, Canada

- -Ran the social media pages for the society, advertising events such as the Relay for Life, and keeping people updated with funding, cancer information and general progress of the society during the COVID 19 pandemic
- -Raised over \$15,000 for the Canadian Cancer Society and had over 70 participants
- -Ran in the Relay in 2019, individually raising \$1100, and ran over 30km in 12 hours

#### September 2016-July 2018

## Captain of Cross Country and Athletics • Winchester College • Hampshire, UK

- Captain a year young in my second last year, I was responsible for coordinating training and meets, as well as recruiting new members, maintaining the well-being of the team and keeping up with my own training and fitness.

#### REFERENCES

Professor Philip Buckley Patrick Wylie Professor Ehab Abouheif Dr Jennifer Sunday