**Meera Thompson**

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# Education

**MEng Civil Engineering,** **University of Aberdeen,** 2015 – 2020

* First two years of the course cover principles of mechanical, electrical and civil engineering, including Engineering Mathematics and Engineering Design & Practice.
* Third year modules: Stress Analysis, Design of Structural Elements, Fluid Mechanics and Geotechnics.

**Dornoch High School, Dornoch,** 2010 – 2015

* Advanced Highers: Mathematics (B), Physics (B)
* Highers: Mathematics (A), Physics (A), Chemistry (B), English (B) and Geography (B)
* Standard Grades: 8 at credit level, including German

# Work Experience

**Retail Assistant, Debenhams, Aberdeen**, July 2016 – present

* Promoted to Retail Assistant position after initially working as part of the team restocking the store during the evenings.
* Serve customers and handle their queries including complaints and returns, merchandising and being aware of security issues in a busy environment especially in the Christmas period and during promotional events.

**Festival Assistant, TechFest,** Sept 2017

* Explained concepts of science and engineering to pupils, teachers and members of the public in a manner aiming to inspire those attending and, in the case of school classes, encourage them to study science and engineering to a higher level.
* Improvised in answering questions on the spot and coping with last-minute challenges such as venue changes.

**Waitress, Jock’s Tearooms,** Dornoch, June – Sept 2015

* Worked in a team of seven in this busy tea room.
* Communicated with and provided information on the local area to customers, many of whom were tourists whose first language was not English.

# Activities & Achievements

## Orienteering

* Finished 4th in the 2018 Scottish Universities Challenge
* Active member of University of Aberdeen Orienteering Club; participated in school competitions

## TAU Racing (Formula Student Society)

* Worked with the chassis team to make small adjustments to our design year on year and making our car lighter
* Car ranked 1st in Scotland and 11th in the UK in 2018.

# Skills & Other Information

* **Software:** Proficient: Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint; Basic: SolidWorks.
* **Other Interests:** Hiking; Mountain biking.