# JORDAN DAVID RICHMOND

## Experience / Volunteering

Period September 2022 — Present
EMPLOYER Outwood Academy Kirkby
JOB TITLE Science Technician

Head of the prep room, producing practicals, demos and experiments for teachers and students.

Period July 2022 — August 2022
Employer Future Products Ltd
Job Title Factory Operative

Operating a circular saw to cut plastics and aluminium components, a welding machine to weld cills for windows and a wrapping machine to wrap up components for transport.

Period July 2016 — January 2019

EMPLOYER Lidder Care Ltd
JOB TITLE Maintenance Assistant

Assistant in the maintenance department carrying out repairs, decorating, technology advisor and health and safety checks: fire equipment and wheelchairs.

Period November 2019 — Present
Employer Keele University Observatory

JOB TITLE Observatory Astronomer (Volunteering)

Staff Volunteer at Keele Observatory every Tuesday.

Period October 2017 — July 2018

Employer The Samworth Church Academy

Job Title Laboratory Assistant (Volunteering)

Assisting the senior lab technician in duties such as preparing experiments for classes, tidying up and storage and helping with science club activities. (All jobs and tasks were carried out with authorisation from the senior laboratory technician and senior leadership member).

## EDUCATION

Period September 2019 — October 2022

QUALIFICATION Bachelor of Science in Astrophysics with Education

GRADE Third Class Honours
INSTITUTION Keele University

Period September 2018 — June 2019
QUALIFICATION Foundation Degree in Science

GRADE Second Class Honours (Division I) with progression onto

undergraduate degree

INSTITUTION Keele University Foundation Centre

Period September 2016 — July 2018

QUALIFICATION Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Applied Science

Grade **D\*DD** 

INSTITUTION The Samworth Church Academy

Period September 2013 — July 2016

QUALIFICATION GCSE

GRADE 9 GCSE's Grade B-D

Institution The Samworth Church Academy

## KEY SKILLS

#### Communication

• Developed skills in interpersonal communication and public speaking with colleagues and members of the public whilst working as an observatory staff and astronomer. Gained leadership and mentoring skills through volunteering at Keele observatory.

## Organisation

- Balanced a challenging mix of university studies and volunteer work.
- Assisted in planning and delivering events. Mainly as part of the 2020 astronomical event 'The
  Great Conjunction' in partnership with Keele University. As well as this, I have contributed to
  assisting and planing private observatory events.

#### IT & Tech Skills

- Proficient in Python for use in data analysis.
- 12 weeks experience using Scientific Linux for the purposes of research project.
- LATEX software is my go to document editor due to its ease and multifunctionality in creating posters, presentations, problem sheets and exams / tests.

## Other Skills

- Active Listening This has been an asset during my degree programme and at the observatory.
- Problem Solving I have faced many problem solving tasks as part of my degree programme.
- Time Management I make sure to plan my time efficiently so I meet my deadlines.

YEAR 2018

FORMAT Investigative project

GRADE **Distinction** 

TITLE An investigation to look at the different oxidation states and the complex

ions of the period 4 transition metals and ways to chemically analyse

them

This unit enables learners to gain an understanding and the skills required to undertake an investigative project. Choose one topic area that interests you and this will form the basis of your investigative project. You will carry out a scientific literature search and review, considering the project's aims and objectives, then produce a realistic plan and carry out the project safely using your scientific investigation skills, project management skills and what you have learnt from the other units. Finally, you will prepare an evaluative report that will consider the project outcomes and suggest amendments that may have improved those outcomes.

YEAR **202**I

FORMAT Research Note

GRADE Second Class Honours (Division I)

TITLE Investigations into the Local Stellar Population of the Large Magellanic

Cloud, Red Giant IRAS04496-6958 and Open Cluster HS66-33

Using Scientific Linux to perform astrophysical techniques such as PSF (Point Spread Function) Photometry to calculate distance to the LMC and the age of stars within.

YEAR **2022** 

FORMAT Dissertation

GRADE Second Class Honours (Division II)

TITLE Insight into the History and Characteristics of the Chemically Peculiar

Stars

Investigating the four main chemically peculiar stars from history to spectra.

## **AWARDS**

- Participant in KeeleSU Volunteer Project: Bronze (25 hrs), Silver (50 hrs) and Gold (100 hrs).
- JJG Training Courses: Challenging Behaviour, Mental Capacity and Deprivation of Liberties and Fire Safety, Awareness, Evacuation and Use of Extinguishers.
- Academic Poster on the topic of 'Water Sources on the Lunar Surface'.