Owen Grady

Highly-motivated second year psychology student, eager to pursue my passion for clinical psychology / therapy. Experienced in volunteering for SHOUT, where I assisted texters from a crisis to discovering next steps in their well-being. While volunteering, I developed strong active listening skills and building rapport with the texters.

Education

Psychology BSc

Sep 2021 - Sep 2024

University of Huddersfield, Huddersfield

Key Modules:

- · Social Psychology and Personality
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy
- · Cognition; Brain and Behaviour

BTEC Level 3 - Computing

Sep 2019 - Jul 2021

Calderdale College, Halifax

Assisted on a project developing a voice inputted insurance claim using Amazon Alexa for Covea Insurance

Grades:

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Work experience

Crisis Hotline Volunteer

Jul 2022 - Present

Shout, Remote

Volunteering for Shout was a rewarding experience, I've currently assisted 70 texters with a wide range of issues. I supported the texters from a hot crisis to a cooler moment. I ensured that I was always empathetic with the texters and volunteering for Shout has enabled me to develop active listening skills and building rapport with texters.

Responsibilities:

- · Risk assessing texters for suicide and abuse
- Flagging supervisor if the texter 'laddered up' on the suicide risk assessment
- Utilising good contact techniques to build rapport with the texter
- Ensuring the texter had a good plan following the conversation
- Supporting a texter through an 'active rescue' by reassuring them that emergency services would be arriving to support them

Skills:

- Identifying if the texter was at imminent risk of suicide/harm, i.e. risk assessment skills
- Time-management Actively listen and respond to the texter
- Volunteering at off-peak hours during high demand
- Active listening and warm contact techniques
- Communicating promptly with the texter and checking in on them, once they've stopped responding

Personal details

Name

Owen Grady

Address

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Email

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Hobby

Cricket

Basketball

Reading

Hiking

Gratitude Journaling

IT skills

Microsoft Office Suite

SPSS

Web Development

Languages

English

Spanish

Mytholmroyd Community Centre, Mytholmroyd

Working under the guidance of the Community Centre manager, I delivered a high standard of customer service and satisfaction. I ensured all customer requests were handled effectively and I also assisted in addressing difficult customer complaints which facilitated in developing my communication skills. I aided my colleagues during intense demands while working to serve customers of over 100.

Responsibilities:

- · Serving customers from behind the bar
- Operating the till and taking cash/card
- Preparing the bar for service, stocking the fridge with wine/drinks
- Working at weddings/private functions and events

Skills:

- · Able to work effectively under high pressure
- Ability to communicate well to other members of staff
- Excellent customer service
- Capable of working weekends and late night shifts
- Coordinated in alleviating angry customer complaints through good communication skills
- Working 12 hour shifts