

TRAVEL & TOURISM

I have developed an interest in tourism since commencing my A level studies in Travel & Tourism last year. I would love the opportunity to work abroad, particularly in America. The opportunity to be able to combine the chance to travel with studying for a degree in Tourism Management provides me with an ideal pathway to prepare myself for a future career in the industry.

I have always had a keen interest in travel and have been lucky enough to travel extensively during my childhood. My favourite places include South Africa, New York, Canada and many different parts of Europe. It is my ambition to continue to visit new places around the world and to work abroad for a period in the future. I am passionate about discovering new cultures and meeting different people. I have recently completed the application and interview process for Camp America and hope to spend summer 2012 in America in a camp for under-privileged children.

I have undertaken work experience in an independent travel company called 'Azure Collection' dealing with package and bespoke holidays across the world. During this placement, I experienced many different aspects of the business including marketing and sales. I am also currently arranging a work experience placement to Bluestone, a local holiday village which will enable me to gain additional knowledge about the tourism industry.

I have also undertaken voluntary work as part of my Welsh Baccalaureate studies. This has included being a marshal during sporting events in Tenby and assisting at an after school children's cooking club. In addition, I have been part of a team who raise money for the school through various activities. My personal responsibilities have included contributing to the initial business idea, the purchase of various products for sale, labelling, pricing and looking after the money. I am currently involved in event management as part of my travel and tourism A level and am part of a team who are organising a school fundraising swim on New Year's Day, with my individual accountability being health & safety which is very interesting.

I have very good organisational and communication skills and especially like to ensure that I listen to other people's views before contributing my own. My teachers describe me as enthusiastic, conscientious, hard-working and responsible. My form teacher states that I am honest, dependable, and courteous and have a good sense of humour.

I am very keen to develop myself to my full potential and feel that a degree in Tourism Management together with practical work experience in the tourism industry will give me the best chance of a successful career. I am really looking forward to immersing myself in student life and feel that this is an important step into the future. My interests outside of my studies include tennis, swimming, photography, visiting the cinema and socialising with friends. I have always enjoyed taking photographs and I am currently studying photography to A level at sixth form. I am also very interested in music and attend concerts as often as I can.

I am really looking forward to life as a student as I enjoy meeting new people and trying new things. In my spare time, I am hoping to join some of the clubs on offer as I am a sociable person, both continuing with my current interests and discovering new hobbies. I am highly motivated to succeed and have a willingness to learn and can do attitude.