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Profile

A highly motivated and entrepreneurial individual with 15 years' experience managing volunteer science and conservation projects around the world. I set up, ran and sold my own expedition business before returning to University, gaining a distinction in an MSc in Environmental Technology from Imperial College. I applied the combined policy and practical skills at The Conservation Volunteers and am now seeking a programme management role in a conservation NGO which would benefit from my business, communication, project management and environmental policy skills.

Education and Qualifications

Masters 2014: **MSc Environmental Technology – Distinction**
Imperial College London – Centre for Environmental Policy:
Core course – interdisciplinary approach to environmental challenges:
Ecology, pollution control, environmental law, economics, policy and management
Option Course – Ecological Management:
Resource management, Conservation of habitats and endangered species,
Environmental impact assessment and law.
Dissertation project – Perceptions of land use change in the Lake District National Park.

Degree 1998: **B. Sc. Mathematics. 2.1. University of Nottingham.**
A-Levels 1995: Maths (A), Further Maths (A), Eng. Lit. (A), History (A).
GCSEs 1993: 10 GCSEs at grade A including Maths and English.

Key skills

Project management:

Through my roles at Fieldskills and Training Expertise, and in a freelance capacity, I have led and managed more than 30 overseas projects, developing strong organizational, project and group management skills. Managing teams of up to 30 people, my roles ranged from safety consultant for BP fieldwork projects in Namibia to leading research expeditions with Biosphere Expeditions in Oman and youth expeditions to Costa Rica and Borneo. I currently manage The Conservation Volunteers' Natural Communities Project, line-managing 8 trainees, as well as finances, funding reports and coordination with project partners.

Conservation and environmental policy:

Since my first volunteer conservation project in 1999 I have developed a passion for practical conservation projects, I led 10, 2 month long expeditions for the conservation charity Trekforce expeditions and ran projects including DFID funded conservation projects in Belize and wildlife research volunteer trips to Slovakia and Oman. My MSc in Environmental Technology has given me a strong multi-disciplinary academic background to the practical experience I gained during the overseas projects. Most recently at The Conservation Volunteers I developed broad experience of community environmental projects such as citizen science engagement and community group support.

Business management:

I successfully set up, ran and sold my own expedition training and logistics business, Fieldskills Ltd which gave me invaluable skills in working independently as well as managing a team. Working across the UK and overseas (primarily Malaysian Borneo) this gave me broad skills in project management, strategic planning and partnership working with clients and other organisations.

Communication skills:

I am a strong communicator, producing high quality written work to tight deadlines. This was evidenced during my work as an editor in Educational Publishing and more recently in achieving 81% for my MSc dissertation and producing a series of reports on topics such as Social Media in Citizen Science and a business review of The Conservation Volunteers' Community Network. I am a confident oral communicator having delivered outdoor activities with school children through to consultancy and training with blue-chip companies such as Rio Tinto, training at academic institutions including Oxford University and presenting at the Royal Geographical Society including the annual Explore Expedition conference.

Work Experience

Sept 2014 – Present **Natural Communities Coordinator: The Conservation Volunteers (TCV)**

Managed the Natural Communities project, an HLF funded programme supporting a team of trainees to deliver community engagement projects across a range of partner organisations.

Sept 2013 – Sept 2014 **Full time MSc Course – Imperial College**

Part-time consultancy and training role continued at Training Expertise.

Aug 2012 – Sept 2013 **Business Manager: Training Expertise Ltd.**

Having overseen the sale of Fieldskills to Training Expertise I managed the new combined business.

Sept 05 – Aug 2012 **UK Director of Fieldskills Ltd.** Expedition training and logistics.

I ran the UK business, Fieldskills Ltd, which focused on fieldwork safety training, as well as working with two partners in Malaysian Borneo to run expeditions, research projects and adventure holidays.

Sept 00 – Sept 05 **Senior Editor - Educational Publishing, CGP.**

I worked on all stages of book production including design, editing, copy writing, budgeting and project management. I also organised and ran two successful recruitment campaigns and new editor training.

Additional Skills and qualifications

- Computer literate with experience of all Microsoft office programs, as well as with basic website editing, desktop publishing and graphics packages.
- Full, clean driving license
- Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society.
- NEBOSH Level 3 National General Certificate in Health and Safety 2011.
- PTTLS adult education teaching qualification. 2010.
- First aid trainer (ITC), Off-site Safety Management Trainer (RGS) and Mountain Leader.

References

Available on request