

Summary

I have recently completed my degree in Graphic Design from Edinburgh Napier University, and I am now looking for a job in Graphic Design.

Before finding Graphic Design, I also achieved an HNC in Visual Communications and a NC in Fine Art. Because of this, I am proficient in Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign and After Effects on Windows and Mac. I am also able to work in both print and digital media, including video, as well as creating campaigns. My studies have taught me a variety of skills and the ability to work in many styles. I'd love to work in a studio where I can apply everything that I have learnt from my studies in these three fields.

I feel that my studies, especially at Edinburgh Napier, have prepared me well and given me the confidence to commit to a job in Graphic Design.

Previous Employment

I started working as a bartender in September 2015 at The Green Room in Perth which comprised of three bars and at the time held the largest drink selection in Scotland. With no previous experience or training, I learnt on the job very quickly and was soon given bigger responsibilities such as looking after new staff and running the smaller bars independently on busy weekends. I am very grateful for my time at The Green Room and the huge amount of trust they put in me right from the start as it gave me confidence in myself and taught me a lot about responsibility, customer service and how to work effectively in a team.

After moving to Edinburgh in September 2016, I started working on the bar at Angels Share Hotel which had a main bar in the restaurant and a second in the function room. I was given the same responsibilities as before in this job and many more. I have supervised weekend shifts when the supervisors were unavailable which made me responsible for managing a team of four or five, organising their breaks, dealing with any issues on the bar or with customers and generally keeping the bar at a standard for service to run smoothly. During the summer when I picked up full time hours, I was also trusted with fruit orders, making reservations and floor shifts. This experience was also very rewarding as it taught me a lot about leadership and handling difficult situations.

Since March 2019 I have been working at The Barologist as a bartender, waitress and occasionally helping with stock takes and supervising shifts too. I value hospitality work highly in my personal development and have benefit greatly in my time management, responsibility and social skills.

In July 2019, I have the pleasure of working with both departments at STV Creative for a week each during my work placement. In my first week I worked with the Commercial team under the supervision of Graham Anderson. This was a massive learning curve for me as it really showed me how different the working environment is to university and how to juggle multiple projects at once. In my second week I was with the In-House team under the supervision of Katie Howie. Having gained more confidence and a better understanding of the working environment, I was given a lot more work in this week. I worked on projects such as imagery for the Player and branding the "Last of the Summer Wine" party, and really enjoyed the faster pace of this department. This experience was invaluable to me and I couldn't be more grateful for it.

References

Peter Monteath – Former Manager at Angels Share Hotel
–Former Manager at The Barologist

The Scottie (General Manager) - 0131 669 7244

Craig Marwick – Assistant Manager at The Barologist

The Barologist - 0131 554 9999