

Tom Toner

Curriculum Vitae

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Profile

I am currently an undergraduate student at Leeds University studying for a BA in New Media which involves elements of graphics, web-design, interactive media and digital-animation. This keen interest in technology, multimedia and digital design introduced me to various software and computer languages. I gained more experience when I moved into flyer and advertisement design. As a result I now design web-sites for local groups and small businesses.

Academic qualifications

11 GCSE's grades A-C; (2004)

5 GCE AS Levels (2005)

3 GCE A Levels grades A-C; (2006)

- Design and Technology; Product Design [A]
- Information Communication Technology [B]
- Sport and Physical Education [C]

BA New Media (2007-2010 The University of Leeds)

Current Modules studied include:

- History of Communications
- Design for New Media
- Basic Digital Audio & Visual Production
- Interface Design
- Web-Design & Technology
- Design Management
- New Media Data Formats

Miscellaneous awards and achievements

- **Community Sports Leadership Award**

This gave me experience with working with people; especially children in developing their skills. I organised and ran weekly basketball coaching sessions.

- **'SVP' Community Work**

This is a Christian voluntary organisation. I went out to local primary schools and helped set up football teams and training sessions for them, giving them independence and confidence.

- **Young Enterprise**

This was a project where I held the role of Managing Director. This role gave me first hand experience of leadership and problem solving, as well as meeting real deadlines, dealing with factors such as finance and marketing issues. Being in charge of a large group of people enabled me to have a taste of what managing is really like.

- **Engineering Education Scheme**

This enabled me to gain real experience in industry, and get a real feel for the different aspects of engineering. This fuelled my creativeness. Our group had to design a new housing unit for a component located on modern trains. This gave me the opportunity to reveal my CAD skills, as I designed a 3D prototype using the latest in design software.

Employment Details

St Augustine's Catholic College, Trowbridge

Nature of work

College cleaner (in charge of cleaning an entire block of workshops and kitchens)

From To

Sep 05 July 06

Safe and Sound Security, Trowbridge

Nature of work

Programme Seller and Event steward (basic security, directing crowd, crowd control, turnstiles)

From To

Nov 03 Sept 06

Blu Productions Radstock, Somerset

Nature of work

Labour work- aiding erecting tents and decorating marquees

From To

Oct 04 June 08

Virgin Mobile, Trowbridge HQ

Nature of work

Customer Service Advisor for 6 months then transferred to the Collections team which deals with customer finance as well as jobs for the Fraud team. After I returned from travelling I then joined the Virgin Mobile Sales team for the rest of my employment.

From To

Oct 06 September 07

Just Add Water, Bath

Nature of work

Temp Sales Advisor in a ski, skate and surf store which sold extreme sports clothes and hardware.

From To

Dec 07 Jan 08

Additional experience;

- *A weeks work experience placement with an amateur film production company*
- *Self employed clothing business launched in 2006 called 'highgrade clothing' selling t-shirts via an online platform in which I designed and developed the website and designed the brands image and promotional print material*

Other skills

- Fluent in all major Windows programs (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Web Browsers etc)
- Strong skills in digital art and photo-manipulation software such as Adobe Photoshop CS3 and Fireworks CS3 as well as web development software such as Adobe Dreamweaver CS3
- Creating animated interactive media using Adobe Flash CS3
- Currently studying to be fluent in XHTML and CSS web languages
- Talent for picking up and learning new software/programs from scratch

Additional Information;

Driving licence (Full, Clean)

Interests;

Organising/ promoting music events, web-design, graphics and interactive media etc. Whilst in school I played for my college's rugby and basketball teams. In the past I have represented my county at cross-country and tennis. I also have a passion for extreme sports such as skiing & skateboarding. Before going to University I went travelling during my gap year. Currently I play for Leeds University Ultimate Frisbee team and perform 'Fire-Staff' for the Leeds Circus Society and am an active member of the Leeds Snow Sports society.