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Intern CV

Date February 25, 2017				
Family Name Giesz-Ramsay			Given Name Jodie Joanna	
ACADEMIC BACKGROUND				
Degree	Name of Discipline	Institution	Country	Date
Master of Digital Media (MDM)	Digital Media	Ryerson University	Canada	2016 - 2017
Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)	Psychology (Honours)	Ryerson University	Canada	2012 - 2016
ACADEMIC, RESEARCH & INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE				
Position held	Organization	Department	Period (yyyy/mm to yyyy/mm)	
Teaching Assistant	Ryerson University (Faculty of Arts)	Psychology	2016/09 - present	
Research Assistant	Ryerson University (Faculty of Arts)	Psychology	2014/05 - 2015/08 (summer)	
Author	Fitzhenry & Whiteside	Children's Book Publisher	2015	
Summer Intern	Peak Performance	Human Resources	2016/05 - 2016/08	
Camp Counselor	Camp Northway	Child & Youth Services	2015/06 - 2015/08	
Camp Instructor	Camp Northway	Child & Youth Services	2014/06 - 2014/08	
Lifeguard	Executive Recreation Services (ERS)	Recreation Management	2013/06 - 2013/08	
DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITIES AT ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS				
Provide details of published papers, title of dissertation and name of supervisor and other relevant activities.				

As a TA, I assisted in teaching, grading and providing feedback in developmental and abnormal psychology classes. Under the supervision of Dr. Tara Burke, I supported the learning environment for two core classes in the psychology department; namely, Child Development (PSY 302) and Psychological Disorders (PSY 235). Further, I also worked closely with Dr. Becky Choma, where I supported the research objectives through a variety of capacities. Functioning as Dr. Choma's deputy, my duties largely consisted of organizing and categorizing various data sets for statistical analysis, where I examined the reading abilities of elementary school children, in addition to how exercise can mitigate depression in teenagers.

Further, during my third year of studies, Ryerson's Psychology department awarded me with the prestigious William Glassman Prize. The \$500 scholarship is designed to recognize students whose work transcends the classroom. Along with two computer science students, I founded a mobile app called Operation Buddy, which provides a direct communication channel to those suffering from mental health challenges. Operation Buddy has experienced modest growth since its launch in January of 2016, affording hundreds of people with ability to speak with someone, through text-based messages, at any time, anywhere.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Provide a maximum of 10 words that describe your area(s) of expertise.

Developmental psychology, abnormal psychology, content development, storytelling, writing, editing.