

## MEET BEN

### CASE STUDY



#### NAME

Ben Rose

#### PLACE OF WORK

Intertrust Group

#### JOB TITLE

Regional Relationship  
Manager (based in  
Hong Kong)

#### COURSE STUDIED

AT UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE JERSEY  
BA Financial Services

#### WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

Having spoken with my parents and also a friend who had enrolled on the course, it seemed a great way to get both work experience as well as a degree.

#### WHAT DID YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT THE COURSE?

I enjoyed the depth of the course, looking at a number of areas in finance as well as leadership and management. This allowed me to explore different potential career paths and determine the career path I wanted to follow. Getting involved with a large firm with a global reach was always my plan though.

We had industry professionals as tutors/ lecturers who were able to give us real life examples of case studies for each section and provide guidance with any queries we had on the subject or the industry itself.

#### WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO SOMEONE WHO IS UNSURE ABOUT PURSUING HIGHER EDUCATION?

I think there is a lot of pressure in Jersey about getting off the island to pursue higher education. I wasn't sure if it was the right thing for me, so the Highlands course was a great option for me. The course provides you with higher education as well as real experience in the work place.

#### WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOUR YOUNGER SELF?

Go for it, don't let anything hold you back. I was so nervous moving out here (to Hong Kong) but it's by far the best decision I've made, on a personal and professional level.

# University College Jersey

# MEET BRADLEY

## CASE STUDY



### NAME

Bradley Le Clercq

### PLACE OF WORK

BDO Greenlight

### JOB TITLE

Associate Consultant

### COURSE STUDIED AT

UNIVERSITY

COLLEGE JERSEY

BA Business and  
Management

### WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

I was drawn to the idea of studying business and management from having tried to set up a business previously, and failing. Years later, going through the course I would look back and see how all I was learning would have helped with that business.

### WHAT DID YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT THE COURSE?

1

I graduated with a broad understanding of the world of work having spent some time on accounting, IT systems, HR, Governance and Law.

2

Work placements; it's one thing to learn in a classroom but to then go out and apply that learning in a workplace makes those lessons sink in. My placement gave context to a lot of the stuff we had covered in class.

### DID THE COURSE HELP YOU IN YOUR JOURNEY TO YOUR CURRENT POSITION? HOW?

My degree put an emphasis on work placement, which I undertook with BDO Greenlight. My relationship with them developed & when I completed my degree they offered me a job!

### WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO SOMEONE CONSIDERING HIGHER EDUCATION?

It is a big commitment for which you need to be certain you have picked the right course; one that both interests you and that you can see a future in. I found this drove me to work hard and achieve in a way general schooling hadn't done. Being in a class with like minded people also interested in the same topic and working toward the same goal was very motivating.

Don't worry about how long it takes to get there, just remember where you are headed.

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## MEET JOHN

### CASE STUDY



#### NAME

John

#### JOB TITLE

Support Worker

#### COURSES STUDIED AT UNIVERSITY COLLEGE JERSEY

Access to Higher  
Education  
(Humanities)

Currently enrolled on  
the BA Social Work  
Degree (Jersey)

#### WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

I chose the Access Course as I left school at 16 and wanted to return to full-time education with the view to undertaking a degree.

As I had been out of formal education for such a long time, I wanted to ensure I was able to study at the required level, and that I would enjoy returning to education alongside achieving the required level 3 qualifications.

I am already working as a Support Worker however, I hope to practice as a Social Worker on completion of my degree with UCJ.

#### WHAT DID YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT THE COURSE?

Meeting people from a variety of backgrounds with a shared goal. I also enjoyed learning about subjects in which I have an interest.

I found the study skills, learning how to write academically was beneficial for degree level study.

#### WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO SOMEONE WHO IS UNSURE ABOUT PURSUING HIGHER EDUCATION?

Give it a try, it's great for meeting new people and personal development.

#### WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO YOUR YOUNGER SELF?

Do not leave school at 16, stay in education and enjoy being young.

# University College Jersey

# MEET LAUREN

## CASE STUDY



### NAME

Lauren Trachy  
Student, entrepreneur  
and business owner

**COURSE STUDYING  
AT UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE JERSEY**  
HND in Sport

### WHY DID YOU CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

I have been interested in, and played sport my whole life; it is an area that is constantly changing and evolving.

Right now, I have no clue what exact career I may go into, however, I do know that by achieving my sports degree I will have opened myself up to many different career options, and not just ones in Sport. There are options ranging from teaching, to coaching, to careers in business. The list is endless.

### BEST BITS ABOUT STUDYING AT UCJ?

1

You can still live at home meaning that you pay much less than if you were studying off-island.

2

The class sizes are small (around 10-20 students) which means that you're able to get one-to-one time with the tutors and can contact them easily if you have any questions about your work.

3

Another positive thing about studying at UCJ is that they have links to almost any business in Jersey which allows you to complete work experience in whatever area of work that interests you.

### HAVE YOU UNDERTAKEN ANY WORK EXPERIENCE THROUGH YOUR COURSE?

In my first year of the Sports HND, I was lucky to complete my work experience up at Jersey Reds Rugby Club which was such an amazing experience.

I already had links to the club as I play for them, however, being involved with the coaching and strength & conditioning of a professional rugby team is an incredible experience.

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