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My Profile

I am a first year trainee on the Godolphin Flying Start. Godolphin Flying Start is a Management and Leadership training programme that specialises in thoroughbred horseracing and breeding. There are four core modules: Business Management, Leadership, International Bloodstock, Breeding and Racing, Horse Production. Over a two year period, trainees study and experience the horseracing industry in Ireland, UK, USA, Australia and Dubai. The programme is accredited by University College Dublin Michael Smurfit Business School and trainees are awarded a Graduate Certificate in Management (Thoroughbred Industry) on graduation.



Experience

Yard Manager

Johnston Racing, North Yorkshire, United Kingdom / 2017 -2019

- Managing a team of 9 riders and grooms.
- Overseeing the wellbeing of 27 horses in my responsibility.
- Maximising each horse's optimum results on the racetrack by providing clear, relevant feedback to the trainer and assistant trainers.
- Ensuring general upkeep and tidiness of the yard.
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Stud Hand

Woods Edge Farm, Kentucky, United States of America / 2016

- Ensuring each horse was prepared to the highest possible standard for Fasig Tipton and Keeneland yearling sales, this includes daily lunging exercise, bandaging, feeding, grooming and administration of medicine.
- Attending horse sales at Fasig Tipton and Keeneland as both a showperson, groom and card person.



Education

BACHELOR IN MARKETING

Cork Institute of Technology, Ireland

Bachelor of Business and Marketing

2:1 honours degree

September 2012 – May 2016

Irish National Stud

Breeding Course

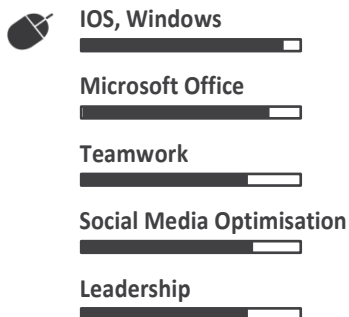
Certificate of Merit

January 2017 – June 2017

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Skills



Godolphin Flying Start Externships

America

2020

Australia

2020

Dubai

2021

Ireland

2021

Achievements

✓ *British Horseracing Authority graduate 2017.*

Full, clean Irish driving license.

.2016 Cork Institute of Technology Prize for Innovation finalist.

Captain of the Cork Institute of Technology equestrian club 2014-2015.



references

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