Dara Animashaun

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Education

MEarthSci Earth Sciences, Balliol College, University of Oxford (2019–2023)

- Expected First class
- Modules include: Seismology and Earth structure; Geodynamics and continental deformation; Volcanology, igneous processes and petrogenesis; Earth materials, rock deformation and metamorphism; palaeobiology and evolution
- Field courses: Pembroke, Isle of Arran, Dorset, Assynt & SE Spain

Broadwater School, Cardiff (2012-2019)

- A levels: Maths A*, Geography A*, Chemistry A*
- GCSEs: 6A*, 2A, 1B

Research Experience

Master's project: Geometry and Kinematic Evolution of the Main Fold, Oman (2022-2023)

- Analysed land and air-based and aerial photographic images to develop a structural interpretation of the fold and surrounding structures
- Conducted electron backscatter diffraction analysis of rock samples to determine crystal orientations
- Resulting paper currently in preparation
- Project supervisor Dr AN Other, Department of Earth Sciences, Oxford University

Independent mapping project: Geological structure west of Louisburgh, Co. Mayo, Ireland (2021)

- Six weeks of fieldwork, data analysis, map production and report on the sedimentary Silurian and Ordovician folded structures overlying metamorphic Dalradian basement
- Project graded 90 and achieved the Gibbs Prize

Remote sensing geoscience intern, CGG (2020)

- Analysed satellite data to determine optical, radar and elevation characteristics of an area of north Wales
- Delivered report to client in written and verbal form

Additional experience

Digital Marketing Intern (micro-internship), Carbon Code (2022)

- Responsible for adapting and developing the current go-to-market strategy
- Managed the organisation's social media presence (Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn)
- Generated growth on these platforms in order to nurture and accelerate community engagement

Team Member, The Oxford Strategy Challenge, (1 week – 2022)

- Worked effectively as part of remote team to deliver a consultancy project to a local social enterprise
- Co-designed post Covid engagement strategy for local volunteers
- Used initiative to collect data under time pressure to fulfil brief

Skills and interests

Diversity and inclusion are a key area of interest for me, and I help teach English to immigrants and asylum seekers. I am also part of an access and outreach programme in my university college and conduct tours to prospective students who are interested in studying Earth Sciences.

I am also an active member of the Oxford University Geological Society.