

INTERVIEW

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING NOW? AND WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING SINCE FINISHING UNI?

I suppose I am any Arts faculty dean's dream and was lucky enough to get hired before graduating. I had no intentions of applying for jobs before graduation, but then one day, by accident, I stumbled upon a job ad in a uni Facebook group: Søstrene Grene is looking for a Communication & Language Specialist for German. That's what I'm up to at the moment: Translating our texts to German and copywriting creative product texts for our webshop. I do also proofread our English social media content.

HOW HAS YOUR TIME AT UNI PREPARED YOU FOR YOUR CURRENT JOB?

Apart from the linguistic and analytical skills required to do my job, I have also benefited from the volunteer work I have done in Anglia, our student council. Working as a team, communicating openly, and knowing when to say "no" to tasks has definitely been a relevant preparation for my work. Luckily, I have landed at a company where community, the so-called Sister Spirit, is prioritised and my team leader and my boss always make sure we are doing well and are not feeling like we are taking on too much.

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT LESSON YOU LEARNED DURING YOUR TIME AT UNI?

To say yes! I am by nature a little timid and flip-floppy. I always have the worst-case scenario painted in my head, and that has often stopped me from doing things I probably would have loved. I even procrastinated the application for Søstrene Grene for ages and almost gave up on it. At uni, I slowly learned to say yes to "scary" things; that this is how you grow. I hope to challenge myself by saying "yes" more often in the future.

WHAT IS YOUR BEST MEMORY FROM YOUR TIME AT THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT?

The People! Everyone will say this about their degree, but English truly has the best social life on campus. The happiest memories will always be the ones surrounded by amazing people: having the time of our lives at Revy, heading to Esperanto after class, being a tutor, suffering together during exam season, lots of laughter. I am glad there are too many happy memories to count.

WHAT ARE YOUR HOPES AND DREAMS FOR THE FUTURE?

I feel very content with the work I do right now. However, I never really saw my future in the corporate world, even one that usually feels like a small family business. I think, at some point, I'd like to enter the publishing industry - it has been a life-long dream of mine. As for my personal life, I am really just settling in and doing what feels right and makes me happy. I dream of adopting a dog, sooner rather than later.