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# COLLEGE NEWS

## TRAINING PROGRAMS & COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES



**Adam**  
**Wildlife Safari Guide**

### **Bedrock Africa, Zambia**

Earlier this year Adam earned the honour of being selected to begin training as a Wildlife Safari Guide. The aim of the Safari Guide Course that Adam is taking is to train individuals to be able to conduct driving, walking, and/or canoeing safaris.

Training as a nature or safari guide in the unspoiled wilderness is a dream come true for many. Driving around with guests for a living, and searching for Africa's iconic wildlife sounds like a great, extended holiday. Make no mistake, it is not all fun on the savanna. Being a safari guide is not a job, it is a lifestyle. There are no 9-5 routines, and for months on end there are no weekends. Guides wake up before dawn and put their guests to bed close midnight. For people who can cope with the hours, and are great with people, guiding can be an really rewarding career!

Adam is taking the Wildlife Safari Guide Course through Bedrock Africa based in Masuku Lodge. The lodge is located in the Nkanga River Conservation Area in Choma, the new provincial headquarters of Zambia's Southern Province.

During the initial 5-day intensive course Adam learned: the principles of being a safari guide; tourism hospitality; ecological and environmental

fundamentals; identifying fauna and flora; the history, geography, and culture of Zambia; driving and basic maintenance of a 4x4 vehicle; radio operation; and first aid.

As Adam explains, "When I was on this course I learnt the basics of being a safari guide, the Latin names of the different birds, animals, and vegetation, as well as learning about the different types of birds and what sounds they make. I did not learn only about animal lives or other life forms but also some cultural and historical background".

"At the same time as I was learning I met a lot of cool people, some who were even experts in their individual fields but were still doing the course. Two of them were Chinga and Frank. Chinga is a bird expert from Victoria Falls and Frank a biologist from the Netherlands. Over the next couple of months I will be getting assignments to complete until June when I am going to do the practicals in Victoria Falls."

Adam's practicals are tests of skills and knowledge in off-road bush driving and safari guiding (including naming fauna and flora, explaining animal behaviours, and describing environmental and ecological systems), all whilst driving. He will earn the Bedrock Africa Certificate.

The course is accredited by the Technical Education, Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training Authority (TEVETA).

[www.facebook.com/bedrockafrica/](http://www.facebook.com/bedrockafrica/)





**Bilngwe**  
**BSc**  
**Biology**

### Concordia University, Canada

Bilngwe was very excited last week when she received her first university acceptance. This is to study for the Bachelor of Science, specializing in Biology, at Concordia University where her two siblings are currently undergraduates. The Specialization Programme is specifically designed for students planning a career or graduate studies in the biological sciences.

Concordia's Biology Department features teaching labs with state-of-the-art equipment that introduces students to the various techniques used in biological research. Small class sizes foster strong student-professor relationships, and the department emphasises a hand-on approach to learning.

Concordia University is a comprehensive university located in Montreal, the largest city in Québec, Canada, and one of the top ten happiest cities in the world, according to *Lonely Planet 2017*.

Concordia University prides itself on being welcoming and committed to innovation and excellence in education, research, creative activities, and community partnerships. The University itself possesses the same motto as the city it inhabits: 'Concordia salus', which



translates as 'well-being through harmony'. It offers 300 undergraduate programmes, 195 graduate programmes, diplomas and certificates, and 40 postgraduate programmes via its faculties of Arts and Science, Engineering and Computer Science, the John Molson School of Business, and the School of Graduate Studies. The University also offers a student exchange programme and internships abroad. [www.concordia.ca](http://www.concordia.ca)



**Elsa**  
**BA**  
**Political Science**

### University of British Columbia, Canada

Elsa received her fourth acceptance recently to study for the Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at the University of British Columbia's Vancouver campus. The University is a global centre for research and teaching, consistently ranked among the 40 best universities in the world.

Since 1915, UBC's West Coast spirit has embraced innovation and challenged the status quo. Its entrepreneurial perspective encourages students, staff and faculty to challenge convention, lead discovery and explore new ways of learning. At UBC, bold thinking is given a place to develop into ideas that can change the world.

Political Science is the study of the nature, causes, and consequences of collective decisions and actions taken by groups of people embedded in cultures and institutions that structure power and authority. In this program students learn how to understand, interpret, explain, and critically assess events, patterns, and structures of politics and government. They also learn how to generate observations of relevance to policy makers, their fellow citizens, and global communities.

Studying Political Science will increase students' understanding of critical issues and developments that affect our lives. Examples of such issues are the nature of power, the causes of conflict, the tensions of Canadian federalism, security in the

post-Cold War international system, globalization, critiques of liberal democracy, feminist analysis, democratization, and the rise of Asia.

A focal point for research in political science at UBC is the The Centre for the Study of Democratic Institutions. The Centre seeks to advance research, teaching and the broad communication of ideas and knowledge about institutional innovation in democratic governance. [www.ubc.ca](http://www.ubc.ca)





**Jessica**  
**LLB (Hons) / BSc (Hons)**  
**Law / Psychology with**  
**Forensic Psychology**

Jessica was happy to learn recently that she has been accepted to two universities for different courses. She is keeping her course options open and will not have to decide which course to take until June.

### **University of Liverpool, UK**

The University of Liverpool has accepted Jessica's application to study for the Bachelor of Laws with Honours, titled LLB (Hons) (from the original Latin term, *Legum Baccalaureus*).

This degree offers a truly modern legal education reflecting the needs and concerns of society in the 21st century. Whether students are planning a career in the legal profession or a career in almost any other field of expertise, this degree challenges and inspires.

Law students develop key skills in presentation and legal argument and research, whilst engaging with the study of law, the impact of law in society, and the operation and construction of legal rules. The programme invites students to understand legal concepts, their practical applications, and proposals for reform within a supported learning environment that incorporates a range of different learning techniques.

Ranked in the top 1% of higher education institutions worldwide, (*The Complete University Guide 2018*), the University of Liverpool is a member of the prestigious Russell Group of UK leading research universities. The University has 33,000 students, 7,500 of whom travel from all over

the world to study here, and 211,000 alumni in 171 countries.

The University of Liverpool is situated in the heart of the City of Liverpool. It is the perfect student city: with a lively nightlife, fantastic shopping and great transport links.

Birthplace of The Beatles, and famous for its football club, Liverpool also has more museums and galleries than any other UK city outside of London. Many of these are also free to enter. The city region also boasts fifteen theatres and halls, ranging from the modern Liverpool Echo Arena to the Art Deco style Philharmonic Hall, home to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra. [www.liverpool.ac.uk](http://www.liverpool.ac.uk)



### **University of Kent, UK**

Jessica's second successful application was from the University of Kent to study for the Bachelor of Science with Honours in Psychology with Forensic Psychology. Psychology at Kent was ranked 10th in the UK in the Overall Subject Score category (*The Complete University Guide 2018*). In the *National Student Survey 2016* 93% of Psychology students were satisfied with the overall quality of their course at the University of Kent.

Psychology is the study of people: how they think, act, react, and interact. Psychologists scientifically study all kinds of behaviour and the thoughts, feelings and motivations underlying behaviour. Psychology examines questions such as: how do people act on a first date? How can we ease the effects of parental divorce on children? How can we make teams work efficiently? How can we help people to overcome depression or phobias?

Forensic Psychology applies psychological theory to understanding criminal behaviour, reducing offending, and understanding victim responses to offending behaviour. It also examines how psychology plays a role in the criminal justice system more generally. On this programme, in addition to the focus on forensic psychology, students gain a broad background in practical applications, experimental and other methodologies, information technology, and theory construction. At Stage 3, they are also able to choose optional modules that allow them to follow specialist interests. [www.kent.ac.uk](http://www.kent.ac.uk)

The University of Kent is popular with graduates from the American International School of Lusaka, with six students currently enrolled or graduates: Kamesha (Law), CJ (Social Sciences), Alistair (Politics and International Relations with Spanish), Tapiwa (Law), Chisanga (Drama and Theatre), and Valeria, who is now studying for her Masters Degree at Kent, (Politics and International Relations).





**Sage  
BAA  
Business Administration**

In the last few days Sage too has been informed that his first two applications have been successful. Sage hopes to train as an air traffic controller, and the degree courses to which he has applied will facilitate this career choice.

### **Keiser University, FL**

Sage has been informed that his application to study for the Bachelor of Business Administration at Keiser University's Flagship Campus in Florida was successful. Keiser University was founded by Dr. Arthur Keiser and Evelyn Keiser in 1977 when they set out to create a university to better serve adult learners seeking a career-focused education. Over the past 40 years Keiser University has become Florida's third largest, not-for-profit university serving approximately 20,000 students, 3,800 employees, and over 66,000 alumni. Keiser University has a campus in 18 of Florida's major and mid-sized metropolitan areas/Florida communities, and is internationally located beyond America's borders with regionally accredited off-campus sites in San Marcos, Nicaragua and Shanghai, China, and learning centers in Moldova, Taiwan, and South Korea.

The 100-acre, residential Flagship Campus, located in West Palm Beach, Florida, offers over 100 degrees within the heart of South Florida. In addition to its well-recognized history of educating adult learners, a comprehensive college experience is available for

traditional students seeking residence and a culturally-rich campus-life. The campus is comprised students from a variety of international locations, athletics teams, and it is a safe environment to live, learn, work, and play.

Learning and social activities are collaborative at Keiser University's Flagship Campus and involve present and future students, community partners, industry leaders, elected officials, and other constituents committed to the success of students. Throughout Florida and beyond, "Seahawk Nation" rallies behind the winning tradition of its 22 athletic teams. [www.keiseruniversity.edu](http://www.keiseruniversity.edu)



### **Florida Institute of Technology, FL**

Sage's second acceptance is to study at Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, Florida. Florida Tech is a private, coeducational, residential, research-intensive, doctoral granting university located in the beautiful City of Melbourne on Florida's sunny "Space Coast." It began as Brevard Engineering College in 1958, the same year NASA was founded. Today, Florida Tech is a community of researchers, scholars and learners hailing from all around the world. The community comprises engineers, aviators, innovators, leaders, educators, athletes and astronauts.

An Air Traffic Control (ATC) specialization is offered by Florida Tech in conjunction with its Bachelor's degree programs. The ATC specialization meets the requirements of the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) Air Traffic-Collegiate Training Initiative program and is FAA approved. Graduates of the program are eligible to bypass the Air Traffic Basics Course, which is usually covered during the first five weeks of qualification training at the FAA Academy in Oklahoma City. Students must successfully complete all required training at the FAA Academy to continue employment with FAA.

Air Traffic Controllers issue instructions, advice and information to pilots by radio to keep air traffic flying safely, efficiently and quickly. Broadly, they tell aircraft to go up, go down, turn right, turn left speed up and slow down. They track the progress of the pilots they talk to using the latest in radar and software technology. Although aircraft fly to pre-determined schedules, they don't fly exactly the same way each day. Air traffic controllers need to deal quickly with these changing flight plans and unexpected events such as the weather, unscheduled traffic and emergency situations.

Florida Institute of Technology is a Best National University, according to the 2018 *U.S. News & World Report* best colleges guide that was recently released. The university climbed 20 spots to No. 151 in the most recent edition. Meanwhile, Florida Tech is again home to the most internationally diverse undergraduate student body of any national university, according to *U.S. News*. For the eighth consecutive year, Florida Tech was named a Tier 1 Best National University as one of the top 200 four-year colleges and universities in the country among the nearly 1,400 ranked by *U.S. News*. [www.fit.edu](http://www.fit.edu)

