

CASE STUDY

NAME: ROBERT POWELL

JOB TITLE: OPERATIONS GRADUATE

EMPLOYER: DUNBIA

**QUALIFICATION: BSC. AGRICULTURE WITH BUSINESS STUDIES
/ PG DIP. MANAGING THE ENVIRONMENT**

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HOW DID YOU END UP IN THIS JOB?

Coming from a farming background and having gained work experience in a local butchers shop, the meat industry has always appealed to me. This programme has given me the opportunity to experience all aspects of the business and help me decide my future career path.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO SOMEONE THINKING OF PURSUING THIS CAREER?

Make yourself aware of ALL the opportunities that are available – don't be afraid of hard work & getting your hands dirty. Companies are eager to promote people who show potential.

WHAT'S THE BEST THING ABOUT YOUR JOB?

Gaining hands on skills of how the business operates, and gaining experience of how areas are managed. You also develop an understanding of inter-department connectivity and relations which allows you to make observations and constructive improvement ideas..

WHAT WAS YOUR STARTING SALARY?

£18,000

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN DOING YOUR JOB?

I would like to progress into a junior management role in the short term, taking the knowledge and experience gained as a graduate and developing my management skills further. After that I would like to move into a higher management role and eventually, my aim is to become a valued member of the Senior Management Team.

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