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Date of Birth: 05/09/1994

LANGUAGES

English – native; **Dutch** – native, **Mandarin Chinese** – native level oral and professional fluency written, **French** – professional fluency, **German** – intermediate fluency

HSK 5, the standard advanced Mandarin Chinese proficiency test

INTERESTS & OTHER

Shanghai Book Club, initiated a successful book club with the goal to bring people together to read and discuss books that focus on history and futurism.

Shanghai 10 Bridge Half Marathon, 2018: competed in a 21km run for a local charity.

Benelux Chamber of Commerce in Shanghai Gala, 2017: hosted guests and raised funds for Heart to Heart, a local charity for unprivileged Chinese children who require heart surgery.

Slush Shanghai Competition, 2016: volunteered at the world's biggest start-up conference for international entrepreneurship and investment.

DVV Antwerp 10 Miles, 2014: competed in 10 miles run for a local charity that raised funds for cancer research.

CSC Government Scholarship
Scholarship value: \$35,000.

Erasmus Scholarship
Scholarship value: \$1,200.

References available upon request.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Government Affairs Intern – European Union Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai, China

March 2018 – August 2018

- Developed and maintained strong relationships with European multinationals in Shanghai.
- Involved in the Banking & Securities, Investment, Cybersecurity and Intellectual Property Rights Working Groups: drafting legislation recommendations, analyzing regulations (in Chinese) and leading meetings with industry experts.

Analyst Intern – Chinaccelerator, SOSV, Shanghai, China

May 2017 – September 2017

- Performed due diligence for investments in startups for a venture capital firm in the top 5% of global equity managers in terms of performance (\$300M assets under management).
- Researched the South-East Asian and Chinese startup scene to identify investment opportunities.

International Marketing Intern – Pingo Space, Beijing, China

December 2015 – February 2016

- Brokered partnerships with leading Beijing businesses to promote brand awareness.
- Launched marketing campaigns that led to a 250% increase in membership.

Junior Account Assistant – Keppel Seghers, Antwerp, Belgium

February 2016 – July 2016

- Assisted in meetings with Shenzhen Energy Environment Engineering finalizing a \$26,7M contract to provide technology and services to the Baoan waste-to-energy plant in Shenzhen.
- Translated Chinese to English and Dutch and vice versa during meetings with high-level government officials.

Co-Founder – Velumo, Antwerp, Belgium

March 2016 – July 2016

- Co-founded a student-run start-up that focused on manufacturing a smart bike light that prevented bike theft.
- Velumo was selected for the start-it at KBC incubator (Belgium's biggest start-up incubator).

External Relations Specialist – AIESEC, Antwerp, Belgium

October 2014 – June 2015

- Trained in cold calling, pitching and presenting through a series of seminars by various Belgian sales and strategy experts.
- Our team arranged contracts with companies such as Microsoft, Deloitte and Unilever to provide international trainees.

EDUCATION

Masters in International Trade – Shanghai University, Shanghai, China

September 2016 – current, GPA 84%

Business Administration – UIBE Business School, Beijing, China

September 2015 – February 2016, GPA 88%

Bachelor in Business Administration and Social Economics – University of Antwerp, Antwerp, Belgium

September 2013 – June 2016