Winnie Thomsen

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I am a CIM qualified Marketer with 6 years marketing experience. Results driven with excellent agency management skills, I am a confident and personable communicator. My ideas and enthusiasm have contributed significantly to the success of the brands I have worked on. I combine a good eye for detail with a cool head under pressure, and the ability to provide strategic and tactical solutions to business problems.

Education & Professional Qualifications	
CIM Professional Diploma in Marketing	2006 – 2008
Online Marketing and Search Engine Optimisation Course	2008
CIM Copywriting Course	2008
BA (Hons) Business & Tourism Management 2:1, University of Brighton	1998 - 2001
Employment History	
University of Brighton	
Faculty Marketing Officer	Aug 09 – present

Fixed term contract at the University of Brighton, responsible for the marketing planning and campaign implementation for the Faculty of Education, Service Management and Sport.

Responsibilities include:

- Producing the faculty marketing plan, setting out the marketing priorities for the year.
- Ideas generation and concept development aimed at growing brand awareness and improving student recruitment.
- Implementation of large-scale marketing campaigns, incorporating print, online, radio, social media and partnership marketing.
- Reviewing and reporting on the effectiveness of marketing campaigns and presenting recommendations to Heads of School and Marketing Director.
- Management of Marketing Assistant, marketing agencies and marketing partnerships.

Post-redundancy Interim Positions			
Online Marketing (Usability/ SEO/ PPC)	Target Tuberculosis, Voluntary Position	May 09 - Aug 09	
Web Editor/ Copywriter	Neighbo.com, Freelance Position	Apr 09 - Aug 09	
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Marketing Services Manager		Mar 07 - Mar 09	

Responsible for the allocation of a £500k marketing budget, I have an excellent track record in developing and delivering large-scale B2C and B2B marketing campaigns on time, on brand and to budget, including advertising campaigns, direct mail, point of sale material, partnership marketing, brochure production and online marketing.

Responsibilities included:

- · Brand management across all areas of the business.
- Management of Marketing Assistant, marketing agencies and marketing partnerships.
- Ideas generation and concept development aimed at growing brand awareness and volume of sales.
- B2B and B2C advertising campaigns; concept development, final sign-off and ad placement in national and regional publications.
- Management of direct mail and door drop campaigns.
- Online marketing; SEO and PPC projects managed through agencies, website usability studies.
- Management of B2C email campaigns and newsletters aimed at customer retention and direct sales.
- Brochure budgeting, scheduling and production; 8 print runs, totalling 2 million brochures per annum.
- Measuring and reporting on campaign effectiveness and ROI.
- · Market and competitor research.

Key achievements:

- ✓ Launched new sales brochure concept, responsible for increased sales volumes of £250k per annum.
- ✓ Project-led full re-branding exercise across all areas of the business, re-igniting trade and consumer interest in the brand and significantly improving performance against main competitors.
- ✓ Commissioned and managed the most successful on-board photoshoot to date. One week of coordinating 6 models, Photographer, Art Director, on-board staff and paying cruise customers.

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Marketing Executive

Jun 04 - Mar 07

Promoted to Marketing Services Manager in March 2007.

Responsibilities included:

- Management of website content: Keeping product information up-to-date, copywriting and editing, image selection, conducting website usability studies.
- Brochure production; agency management, critical assessment of content and layout, copywriting and editing, print and paper procurement, press passing.
- Provided significant input into the pitching process for taking on new marketing agencies.
- Proactively built and maintained good working relationships with agencies, suppliers and partners.
- Conducted regular analysis on campaign effectiveness, competitor activity and market trends.
- Delivered innovative and eye-catching point of sale material to improve brand presence at trade shows and in travel agent shops.

Sales and Marketing AssistantSkiBound, First Choice HolidaysMar 03 – Jun 04Customer ServicesKimberly-ClarkApr 02 – Mar 03Account Manager / Disputes Rep.American ExpressOct 01 – Apr 02

About Me



Living in Brighton, I spend as much time as I can by the sea and dabble in digital photography and painting. In an attempt to balance the fun with the useful, I also study advanced level German at evening class. I was born in Denmark and passionate about all things Scandinavian; culture, cuisine and interior design. I'm fluent in Danish and speak Swedish, Norwegian and German.

IT Skills

MAC and PC literate with a good understanding of Google Analytics and Google Adwords. Proficient in Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook) and Photoshop.

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References

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