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Meet Nicole...

Nicole grew up in Middlesbrough. She graduated from St Mary's College with an Ancient History degree. She was the first in her family to go to university and completed the Supported Progression programme at Durham. She now works in Museums Heritage.

"I'd looked into all the type of jobs I wanted to do and realised that most of them in the Museum sector required a degree, so I decided that university was the smart thing to do! By chance I got pulled into a talk on Supported Progression at school. I signed up, and after the Easter academy I realised there was no other place I wanted to go but Durham, and the summer school really cemented that for me.

As a Durham Student Ambassador I made lots of friends with fellow ambassadors, some of who I still regularly meet up with and see now. The job had a lot of tours/events which improved my public speaking skills. My job at the Oriental Museum gave me access to an internship which gave me the experience needed to get my current job. After my undergraduate degree, I studied a Masters in Museum Studies at Durham. I would not have been able to get the job I have without my degrees."

