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RE: Career Path Report - Xxx Xxx - Zultania

Dear Miss Green,

Qualification Details

Title:	Master of Science in Biotechnology
Year of Award:	2006
Awarding Body:	University of Zultania

Overview of the Education System of Zultania

The education system in Zultania retains many features of the British model and is overseen by the Ministry of Education and Research. Education in Zultania is compulsory for 10 years, from age 6 to 16. The medium of instruction at all levels is Zultanian.

Primary education begins at age six, culminating after five years in the Primary School Leaving Certificate. Following this, students enter lower secondary education, which focuses on general subjects. After five years of study, students sit the Lower Secondary School Leaving Certificate.

At upper secondary level, students specialise in either academic or vocational education. In the academic stream, students take a variety of subjects in preparation for university admission. At the end of the second year, students sit the Secondary School Graduation Certificate. In the vocational stream, students take a combination of academic subjects and those specialising in their selected vocational area. At the end of the second year, students sit the Secondary School Vocational Certificate.

Access to undergraduate study is based upon successful completion of the Secondary School Graduation Certificate. Bachelor degrees are typically three years in duration. Honours degrees are awarded to those students who complete a dissertation in addition to the Bachelor degree. Degrees in professional subjects can take between four and six years to complete, and typically confer professional rights.

At postgraduate level, students may study a Postgraduate Diploma or Master's degree, providing that they hold a Bachelor degree in a relevant field. Master's degrees are typically two years in duration and require the completion of a thesis. Postgraduate Diplomas are highly taught, with no independent study.

At doctoral level, students must compile a piece of independent research, which is defended via a viva voce.

Qualification Description

The Master of Science in Biotechnology was a two year qualification awarded in 2006 by the University of Zultania, which is a recognised state university in the Upper Zlak province, approved by the University Quality Commission to award degrees. The University of Zultania is one of five universities in Zultania to receive the special status of 'University with potential for excellence' from the University Quality Commission. Entrance to the course was based upon successful completion of the preceding Bachelor of Science in Technology.

The course combined coursework, examinations, a dissertation and a viva voce examination. The programme included, but was not limited to, the following subjects:

- Animal Cell Biotechnology
- Bioethics, Biostatistics and Computer Applications
- Bioethics and Biosafety
- Environmental Biotechnology
- Genetic Engineering, Immunotechnology and Enzyme Technology
- Molecular Genetics
- Plant Biotechnology
- Tissue Engineering

A complete listing of subjects can be found in the transcripts issued by the University of Zultania.

An overall grade of 63% was achieved in the final examination, leading to a Second Class degree. The grading system detailed below is used by the University of Zultania:

Classification	Percentage
First Class	65 - 100%
Second Class	50 - 64%
Third Class	40 - 49%
Failure	0 - 39%

Please note that due to the differences in style, structure and content of qualifications awarded overseas and in the UK, it is not possible to supply generic grade comparability information. It is recommended that grades achieved be considered within the context of the system of the country of origin in line with usual admission / registration requirements.

Professional / Academic Rights in Country of Origin

Successful completion of the Master of Science in Biotechnology qualifies the holder to work in the field of Biotechnology in Zultania. Holders may also register with the Zultanian Biotech Association.

Comparability of Award

This award is considered comparable to British Master's degree standard.

Description of Comparable Level

Following the completion of a Bachelor degree students generally complete a minimum of a one year course to obtain a Master's degree. This course generally comprises both taught courses and research projects. A dissertation or research project is required for completion of the award.

These qualifications are designed to provide holders with highly specialised knowledge and understanding of a chosen area. Individuals possess critical analysis, interpretation and evaluation skills that can be applied to complex concepts and theories in order to formulate their own ideas. In academic terms, individuals are able to undertake independent research activities. Individuals can make key contributions to the development and planning of organisations.

Recommendation for Further Study / Employment in the UK

Holders of a Master of Science in Biotechnology from Zultania may be considered suitable for further postgraduate and doctoral study; however, please note that decisions regarding entry to study programmes in the UK are taken at institutional discretion.

The profession of Microbiologist is not regulated in the UK. For information regarding employment and professional registration in the UK, I suggest you approach the following organisation(s):

Society for General Microbiology
Charles Darwin House
12 Roger Street
London
WC1N 2JU
Tel: +44 (0)20 7685 2400
Web: www.sgm.ac.uk
Email: info@sgm.ac.uk

Additional Qualifications

Country of Qualification:	Zultania
Title:	Bachelor of Science in Microbiology
Awarding Body:	University of Zultania
Year of Award:	2004
Assessment:	Is considered comparable to British Bachelor (Honours) degree standard

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I hope this is of assistance.

Yours sincerely