

Growing up in a small town nestled in the mountains of Saudi Arabia, I was surrounded by a diverse array of cultures and languages. As a young girl, I was fascinated by the different ways people communicated and the unique customs they practiced. I am a native Arabic speaker, with a strong interest in learning other languages and cultures.

I have been driven by a desire to make a positive impact on the world and the people around me. This passion has led me to pursue a variety of experiences, in different fields. When I started my undergraduate studies in English Language and translation where I was honored to graduate with first class honors. I'm glad to say that college life and the major I chose broadened my perspective in the world from learning a different culture to acquiring a new language. I was particularly drawn to the way in which they were able to navigate and understand different cultures through the use of language.

During my undergraduate studies, I have been actively involved in various extracurricular activities such as being a member of the English club at my university, and a member of the student advisory council. Additionally, I have directed and acted in two English plays Macbeth and Pygmalion at the local university theatre, which has helped me to develop my leadership and communication skills. I have also had the opportunity to volunteer at a community centre, where I was able to give back to my local community and gain valuable experience working with others. Furthermore, I have completed an online spring course from MBC Academy in media production that surprisingly became a fund of, as well as an online artist management from school of music and a digital marketing nano-degree.

Post-graduation I was unsure of what field of study to pursue, but I knew that I wanted to find a career that would allow me to explore the world and learn about different cultures and is a reflection on my personality. When I discovered that the Tourism programs in my country are becoming more popular and it's aligned with the Saudi Arabia 2030, I found myself becoming more interested in the subject matter. And I know I would benefit from gaining work experience but I believe in quality learning and having the necessary knowledge to succeed in the world.

One of the things that drew me to Tourism was the way in which it brings people together and creates a better understanding of different cultures. I was fascinated by the idea that tourism could be used as a tool for promoting cultural exchange and understanding. This realisation was further reinforced during an exchange program in Australia, Monash University, where I was able to immerse myself to know about new cultures and gain valuable insights into the culture and intercultural awareness from a different perspective.

I have always been someone with many interests and I see myself as a master of all trades. I am passionate about learning and eager to expand my knowledge and skills in different fields. This led me to start my own small business during the Covid-19 pandemic and create a financial support system for myself by recycling and selling vintage clothes which gained a lot of recognition and lovely customers who were supportive of my service. I also enjoy freelancing and volunteering in translating videos and articles.

My hobbies include playing the guitar, vlogging and taking pictures of beautiful scenery. I also enjoy running and meditation to clear my mind. I am very passionate about learning everything I'm surrounded with, and I believe that pursuing a Master's degree and studying abroad will not only give me the opportunity to grow and learn but it will make a magnificent change on myself to enable me to make a difference in the world.

Despite my diverse interests, I have decided to settle mainly in studying for a Master's in tourism management because of my interest to discover the world and learn constantly. I am confident that my background and experiences have prepared me well for the rigours of graduate study, and I am eager to take on the challenges and opportunities that a Master's degree in Tourism Management will provide. With a strong work ethic, a desire to learn and a willingness to take on new challenges, I am committed to making the most of this opportunity and making a positive impact in the field of tourism management. And by choosing this university and this program in particular is what I need to achieve greater things and learn from the top-notch professors and teachers who would guide me into a brighter future.