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Richard Giles

Personal Details -

Date of Birth: 29 March 1995

Marital Status: Single

Nationality: British

Citizenship: Joint British/NZ (2001)

University Special Achievements:

- One of 13 students selected to work on Archaeological excavations on Great Mercury Island/ Ahuahu alongside senior archaeologists, lecturers and New Zealand historians from The University of Auckland and Auckland Museum (2015).
- Top in class award for Anthropology 235 (specialist topic in the “Archaeology of Human Remains”) (2014).
- 6 months voluntary work in The University of Auckland Archaeology laboratory sorting midden artefacts from Great Mercury Island (2014).

Current GPA: 7.217

Publications:

- “The Persian wars - A triumph of the Western mode of war over the East?”
- “Austronesian Linguistics/Archaeology - A critical evaluation of possible human migrations throughout the Pacific”
- “The Roman way of war - Roman military tactics and weaponry: adaptation or innovation?”
- “The Portland Vase - an argument towards propagandist art in Augustan Rome”.

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Qualifications:

- **2013 – Current: Studying a BA, double majoring in Classical Studies and Forensic Archaeological Anthropology at The University of Auckland.**
- **2013 – Current: Studying a Diploma of ancient languages (Latin and Ancient Greek) at The University of Auckland**
- **2012: Excellence endorsement for NCEA level 3:** English, Statistics and Modelling, Biology, History and Classical studies.
- **2011: Excellence endorsement for NCEA level 2:** English, Maths, History, Biology, Media Studies, Classical Studies.
- **2010: Excellence endorsement NCEA level 1:** English, Maths, History, Geography, Science, French (by correspondence).

Scholarships awarded at Selwyn College: (All 2012)

- Ernie Forest Memorial Scholarship
- Top Senior essay for North Island (Year 13 English)
- Scholarship in English
- Scholarship in History
- Scholarship in Classical Studies

Employment history:

- **2013 – Present:** casual librarian (often working on front desk at Glen Innes, St Heliers, Panmure and Auckland Central libraries).
- **2015 (6 months)** - radio dj for '95 bFM' – 3 am till 6 am Thursdays.
- **2015 (4 months)** – volunteer at '95 bFM', including administration, booking interviews, podcasting.
- **December 2010 – 2012:** Kidsline over-the-phone counsellor for children aged 7 – 14.
- **November 2012 – January 2013 (3 months)** Casual employment at the Kinder Library, St John's Theological College.

School achievements:

- Achieved the Principal's scholar list at Selwyn College for year 10, year 11
- House leader at Selwyn College, 2012
- Selwyn College Debating Team member 2008–11. Reached semi-finals of Auckland debating competitions in 2009, 2010, 2011, and 2012. Reached North Island national debating finals, 2012; Russell McVeigh debate competition quarterfinalists, 2012
- Senior debate team coach and mentor, 2012 (Selwyn College)
- Peer support leader - 2011, 2012 (Selwyn College)
- Environmental council co-leader (Selwyn College)
- St Thomas's School Principal awards – 2003, 2004

Further interests and personal studies:

- Classical studies/Roman history
- Cryptology
- Pacific history and New Zealand archaeology
- Neolithic history
- Ancient warfare
- Music – banjo and vocals. Former band member of Haast Eagle, Iyla; current member of Black Jacket Rabbit.

References:

- Richard Monigatti (former supervisor at Kidsline; friend)
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- Margaret McGavin (neighbour and teacher aid)

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