Sample Explanations of a Direct Relationship* of work to Student's Field of Study

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Each of the following includes: **1)** student's job title, **2)** name of company, **3)** average number of hours worked per week, **4)** degree level and name of major field of study, **5)** at least 2-3 job duties, and **6)** relation of job duties to what the student learned/studied in their major field of study.

1. <u>Bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering</u>: I work as an Electrical Engineer at ABC Corporation, a government contractor, working 40 hours per week. In my job, I analyze client requirements for electrical systems and provide them with cost estimates of such systems. My work requires understanding of electrical circuit theory, which I studied in-depth in Electrical and Computer Engineering, Master's, at the University of XYZ.</u>

2. <u>Bachelor's degree in Business - Finance:</u> I work 35 hours per week as a Loan Officer at Happy Homes, a mortgage company, where I meet with clients and evaluate, authorize and recommend approval of Ioan applications. On a daily basis, I use the knowledge I gained in my credit analysis, sales and marketing classes that I took as part of my Bachelor's degree program in Finance.

3. <u>Master's degree in Music:</u> I am working at ABC hospital as a Music Instructor, playing the harp in patient rooms. I also conduct hands-on harp beginner workshops for long-term patients. On average, I work at the hospital 35 hours a week. My duties directly utilize the skills and knowledge I acquired from my music and musical therapy courses during my Master's degree program in Music Therapy at the ABC University.

4. <u>PhD in Computer Science</u>: I am employed as a Computer and Information Research Scientist at ABC Research Institute, working 40 hours per week. I work as part of a team of scientists and engineers that designs experiments to test the operation of various software systems. My work builds on research in complex algorithms and machine learning, which I studied as part of my Doctorate studies and which was the focus of my dissertation.

5. <u>Master's degree in Kinesiology:</u> I am working 25 hours a week in XYZ health food store as a Consultant for Self-Made Inc., designing and teaching exercise classes that are incorporated into a customer's overall nutrition and exercise plan. My designs and customer instruction draw upon my studies and classwork in exercise therapy and physical reconditioning during my Master's study in Kinesiology.

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