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Hello my name is Sophie Jones. I'm a third year student in the Early Childhood Studies

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program. This year during my first semester I completed my placement at SickKids hospital.

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My career goal is to become a Child Life Specialist working with children and their

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families in a hospital environment. I was thrilled to have my placement at SickKids

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in their Child Life department because it gave me hands-on experience working with patients

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allowed me to develop new skills and really reaffirm that this is the right career for me.

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During my time at SickKids I was able to form so many meaningful relationships with patients and

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their families that I will always cherish. Some of my favourite memories were when I implemented my

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activities with patients when I was able to take them to play spaces within the hospital and just

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knowing that I was someone that they could always have fun with. I'm beyond thankful to have had the

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opportunity to spend a semester at SickKids. I would like to thank my amazing supervisor for

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being such an excellent mentor and teacher to me. The opportunity to participate in field placements

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during my time at Guelph-Humber is so unique and valuable to prepare you for your future career.

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For me specifically it completely confirmed that I'm hoping to pursue a career as a Child

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Life Specialist after I graduate next year.

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Hello everyone my name is Rose Bonello. I am a former graduate of the Early Childhood Studies program at Guelph-Humber 2020 grad. I had a very diverse

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experience with placement ranging from education care rehabilitation and hospital settings most

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specifically and most recently I had experiences at the Hospital for Sick Children, SickKids, and Ronald

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McDonald House. I selected these internships to really challenge myself and build new skills

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for the holistic care for children in these diverse settings and I'm so grateful that I did.

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I was really nervous about going in as an early childhood study student but the supervisors took

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me under their wing they explained to me more about the holistic approach and what it means

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to work interprofessionally and I have never been more grateful. They made me feel right at home they

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helped me adapt to fast-paced and slow-paced environments for the ever-changing environment

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of the healthcare system and the therapeutic environments and I am beyond grateful. I always

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wanted to be a clinician of some sort and work therapeutically holistically.

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I wasn't really sure and these placements gave me the opportunity to figure it out.

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I am now pursuing that dream and working in the field studying in the field and I am beyond

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grateful beyond grateful to the supervisors the institutions and the placement coordinators so

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thank you thank you thank you for the ability to set my goals achieve my goals develop skills

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and relationships for my future career and for the opportunity. Thank you I am beyond grateful.