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Why did you choose Purdue?
The teaching opportunities really stood out to me, as well as the funding for graduate students and travel subsidies.

What is your favorite fact about Purdue?
The block P sculpture on campus designed to symbolize the importance of lifelong learning and self-improvement.

Please briefly describe your research:
I am interested in communication in health contexts. This includes health campaigns, interventions, doctor-patient communication, patients’ trust and satisfaction, and doctor shopping.

Name one to three words that best describes your work?
Interesting, meaningful, applied.

Where do you spend most of your time on campus?
In my office or studying in a café.

If you have free time, how do you spend it?
If I have a free weekend, visit my parents in Canada. In the fall and spring I go scuba diving.

Current mobile device/computer:
MacBook Air, iPhone 6.

What apps, software, or tools can’t you live without?
I use GoogleDrive to organize all my work and Mendeley as a reference manager daily. I love my student membership to Spotify so I can listen to music at any time.

What’s your workspace setup like?
I usually work in a coffee shop with my laptop, books, headphones and a coffee or a chai.

What’s your favorite to-do list manager?
Blue Sky Academic Planner from Amazon.

Besides your phone and computer, what gadget can’t you live without?
I always have my headphones with me wherever I go.

What’s your best time-saving shortcut or life hack?
I always turn my phone on airplane mode before I go to sleep.

What are you currently reading, or what is the last thing you read (aside from academic reading)?
I just started reading “The Coral Thief” by Rebecca Scott.

What’s the best advice you’ve ever received?
“Teachers open the door. You enter by yourself.”

What is (are) your career goal(s)?
I want to teach and stay in university for the rest of my life.

Anything to add?
I love languages. I speak English, French, Romanian, Italian and Spanish. I am learning Danish. I completed my undergraduate degree in Canada, my master’s in Switzerland, with a semester abroad in Singapore. I am now doing my Ph.D. in the U.S., and will soon go on an exchange in Copenhagen, Denmark.

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