

CLARE'S RESUME STORY | ACCENTURE IRELAND'S RETURNERS PROGRAMME

VIDEO TRANSCRIPT

00:01 It's somewhat a little bit intimidating, maybe. And I thought maybe I'm not the type of person

00:05 that Accenture is looking for.

00:09 I studied English and French in UCC.

00:12 I really had no idea what I wanted to do.

00:14 But I did a FÁS course on Software Support.

00:16 And I suppose, I spent pretty much 10 years

00:19 working as a Project Manager.

00:21 I went a little bit part-time as I had the children.

00:23 And then I had our last child, Christopher.

00:26 When he was born, he was born with congenital heart disease.

00:29 I stepped out of my career.

00:30 I took time off to, be a mother, I suppose really.

00:33 Ultimately, and it wasn't a difficult decision - that was totally the priority.

00:37 And I will never regret that time - because today he is such a healthy child.

00:41 He's a bit of a character, for sure. But we're all mad about him.

00:45 And he'll tell you what's what, all right!

00:47 It's a reflection of how I was brought up, and I suppose my husband as well.

00:50 Like family meals around the table are really vital.

00:53 Everybody's going in different directions for the day, even the young and the older.

00:56 So, it was kind of 5 or 6 years out, at that point. And, you lose your confidence. It doesn't

01:00 take too long to lose your confidence, actually.

01:02 So, I kind of thought I will do a course just a test to see is my brain still functioning

01:06 on Business Innovation, which was fabulous. I absolutely loved it.

01:11 I grew up in a family business, we had a small bakery. I love the buzz of business and I

01:15 realised I miss it. And I was ready to go back, our kids were a good age now.

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01:20 I ended up chatting to another Mum. And we were chatting about getting back to work and

01:23 she said to me, had I heard about ReSUME?

01:26 The minute I heard about it, I said 'Oh my god, that sounds fabulous.' So, I logged onto

01:31 the site and I signed up for the coffee morning.

01:33 It actually completed exceeded my expectations. I left, totally excited after it. As a group,

01:39 like, it's such a lovely group of people. Different ages, different backgrounds, different

01:43 reasons for taking breaks. But we all just got on instantly.

01:47 When I walk in the door of The Dock and I swipe in - I kind of think, I am just so delighted.

01:52 I joined the Rapid Team. The rapid prototyping team takes something from the abstract and

01:56 builds it into something tangible.

01:57 The mother's day card from my eldest son, this year, talked about me being a 'cool mum.'

02:01 And that is all down to being here.

02:04 Don't be afraid. It's actually a very welcoming, non-judgmental process. You have nothing to

02:10 lose by putting your name in the game and sending in your CV.

02:14 For me - it's been such a positive experience.

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