



Stephen - Technical Manager for Human Anatomy and Surgical Skills

Stephen cares for the deceased to teach future doctors about the living

As a child Stephen was fascinated with science and conducting experiments.

Now he uses his scientific expertise to preserve and look after donated bodies before they're used to teach medical and dental students about human anatomy.

Stephen is responsible for the smooth operation of the Human Anatomy laboratories in the Medical School at the University of Manchester. He liaises with potential body donors, their families and makes sure the lab sticks to laws and regulation, all while managing a team of laboratory technicians and preparing solutions that will preserve bodies for up to three years.

With a team of technicians whose backgrounds vary from cleaning to holding an MSc in Anatomical Science, Stephen is the first to admit 'it's the kind of occupation you tend to fall into by accident!'. He himself began his career as a Funeral Director.

What holds the team together is a shared fascination with science and human anatomy, as well as strong people skills that help them deal sensitively with people's loved ones and facilitate their final wishes.

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1992
 Graduated with a BSc in Geology from the University of Manchester

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 Began a work placement at the Co-operative Funeral Home

1993
 Began training as a Funeral Director

1997
 Became a qualified Funeral Director at the Co-Operative Funeral Service

2000
 Became a qualified embalmer

2001
 Became a Trainee Mortuary Technician at the University of Manchester

2007
 Became the Technical Manager for Human Anatomy & Surgical Skills at the University of Manchester



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