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Work Experience Placements

Edinburgh Evening News I August 2020

Secured a two week, remote work experience placement with this newspaper Duties included pitching, researching, interviewing locals and writing news articles Achieved a number of bylines including five page 3s in five days and an exclusive

The Rotherham Advertiser I January 2020

Undertook a work experience placement at this publication while completing my studies Spent time interviewing sources, court reporting and writing stories for a local readership Managed to gain a number of bylines on the paper's very well-read accompanying website

BBC Watchdog | April - May 2019

Gained opportunity to work at the BBC's flagship investigative journalism show Tasks involved researching case studies, sourcing audience members and running Learnt about data journalism and how to use it to uncover any potential story leads

Sky News I December 2018

Selected to spend two weeks at Sky News following competitive application process Pitched articles, sourced guests, helped find breaking news stories and edited video Copy was published on Snapchat and edit was broadcast as part of a news package

The Scottish Sun I June - July 2018

Secured a work experience placement following a successful interview Spent time contacting sources, researching, doing vox-pops and writing stories Accomplished a considerable number of bylines in the country's best selling newspaper

The Scotsman I December 2016

Organised a work experience placement at this highly reputed organisation Role included sourcing story ideas, chasing leads and writing news stories Article was published on a prominent page of this national broadsheet newspaper

Channel Four | December 2016

Chosen from thousands for a placement within the commissioning department Spent time in the gallery, watching out for compliance issues and giving feedback Managed to secure production work in Glasgow by successfully networking while there

BBC Scotland I September 2016

Undertook extremely competitive placement across the BBC Scotland newsroom Wrote cues for presenters, helped with research and located and chased up sources Gained thorough understanding of a very hands-on approach to the news gathering process

STV | August 2016

Secured placement in national newsroom after liaising with editorial staff Shadowed journalists working on a variety of local, regional and national stories Achieved various bylines on the news website which has a nationwide readershi

The Guardian | October 2015

Selected for this extremely competitive news desk placement Spent time attending editorial meetings, transcribing audio and researching articles Offered a placement extension as well as a placement with the multimedia desk

The Huffington Post I September 2015

Undertook a work experience placement at this internationally renowned publication Position involved writing articles, creating multimedia and social media marketing Learnt how to work to very tight deadlines with an extremely heavy workload

BBC World Service I June - July 2015

Selected from over 2,500 candidates for the Future Voices Scheme Worked with the BBC Hindi World Service as well as other internal departments Documentary pitch was considered by both BBC Radio Four and BBC Asian Network

The Alloa Advertiser I April 2015

Secured work experience at local newspaper Carried out vox-pops, shadowed journalists in court and researched content Achieved my own spread within the paper alongside a number of other bylines

The Clydebank Post I April 2015

Undertook first work experience placement within the industry Spent time researching, writing and subbing articles Had my first ever article published in print

Work History

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BBC Scotland's TV News Team I Journalist I November 2023 - Present

Promoted from researcher to journalist following interview
Duties include finding and booking guests, producing and editing items, writing bulletins, and outputting programmes

BBC Scotland's The Nine I Researcher I April 2023 - November 2023

New position was created for me after I impressed the panel at interview Tasks involve finding and booking guests, suggesting stories, and helping produce items Successfully provided various stories for all parts of the national news programme

Children 1st I Assistant Media and Marketing Lead I January 2023 - April 2023

New role was again specifically created for me after I impressed the panel at interview Role included reacting to any comms enquiries, managing social media and running awareness projects Successfully increased returns for the first project I was assigned by 566%, expanding brand awareness

Daily Record | Trainee Reporter | May 2021 - September 2022

Selected to work for the country's biggest news site while being interviewed Duties included pitching original pieces, speaking to sources and writing articles to tight deadlines Sourced various breaking news stories, exclusives and front pages within months of taking up the role

Insider Inc. I Weekend News Fellow I October 2020 - April 2021

Chosen as the UK's only weekend news fellow while still completing postgraduate degree Tasks involved finding stories, interviewing professionals and writing both long-form and short articles Articles reached millions of collective readers worldwide within mere weeks of beginning the fellowship

BBC's Big Questions I Runner I March 2018 - 2020

Worked as a runner while the show was being filmed in Glasgow and Salford Role included setting up the studio, making the audience feel comfortable and briefing presenters Learnt how to work in a high-pressure environment both on the run up to a show and while it is on-air

Sky News I General Election Stringer I December 2019

Was selected to cover the general election for Sky News at Derbyshire Dales in 2019 Spent time interviewing various party candidates while remaining up-to-date with live news Managed to get one of the fastest election results in the country while still ensuring accuracy

The Times | Interviewer | February - March 2019

Chosen to be paid interviewer for The Times newspaper at my university Position involved sourcing final year students and arranging to survey them Learnt how to gather and organise people in an efficient way to meet deadlines

Oceanic Media I Media Manager I January 2018 - October 2018

Promoted within the company after expressing interest in the recently vacant role Handled press enquiries, ran the accompanying blog and acted as a spokesperson for the brand Managed to create a large portfolio of clippings which were presented to potential clients by the CEO

Oceanic Media I Campaign Executive I December 2016 - October 2017

Gained opportunity to organise and manage awards ceremonies throughout the country Tasks involved contacting finalists, liaising with contractors, and writing speeches for hosts Was able to single-handedly gain the highest profit from a single event in the history of the company

Video3 Internet Broadcasting I Interviewer I June 2015 - January 2017

Secured paid opportunities following volunteer work with this company Interviewed a variety of delegates at various events throughout the country Learnt how to research in short amounts of time and speak to people from various backgrounds

Young Perspective I News Editor I April 2015 - December 2017

Successfully shortlisted for the role of news editor for this online newspaper Duties included organising the day's output, delegating tasks and tying up lose ends The newspaper saw a subsequent increase in traffic shortly after I took up this opportunity

Freelance Writing Roles

DESIblitz I September 2021 - December 2021

Offered paid opportunity to write for this award-winning publication after a successful interview Role involved sourcing, writing and editing content relevant to a global South Asian audience Regularly achieved number one articles and various top ten stories across genres on the website

Now Then Magazine I October 2019 - March 2020

Wrote for this Sheffield-based magazine alongside my postgraduate studies Duties included regularly pitching, writing and sharing content relevant to the city Taught me how to adapt styles when writing for different publications and platforms

Asian Image I January 2020 - May 2021

Gained opportunity to write for this leading British Asian newspaper Tasks included researching stories, interviewing sources, and writing articles Routinely achieved the highest performing story on the website across categories

Tripsology I October 2018 - April 2019

Tripsology is an up-and-coming travel social network
Position involved pitching, researching and writing articles for a niche audience
Learnt a lot about writing in a more casual manner and the travel writing industry in general

Scotjobsnet I November 2018 - February 2019

Became a regular writer for Scotjobsnet, an online job searching tool while at university Role was to write articles in regards to issues surrounding employment such as interview techniques Ultimately became my first paid job in the media and taught me what was expected from a writer

Blasting News I October 2017 - July 2018

Blasting News is an online social news platform with 102 million monthly readers Wrote for the site on a regular basis across genres such as news and opinion Within this role, I soon became one of the top 10 writers in the UK





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Languages

Hindi Fluent (R&W) Puniabi Fluent Proficient Spanish Proficient

Volunteering

500 Hour Award Saltire Awards | 2018

100 Hour Award

First Aid

Emergency First Aid Certificate First Aid Training Organisation I 2017

Mental Health First Aid Certificate NHS Scotland I 2016

Awards

#StrathWomenLead Champion Strathclyde Women in Leadership I 2019

Refugee Media Student Award Scottish Refugee Council I 2018

Young Scot of the Year Scottish Review I 2017

Youth Impact Award CEMVO | 2016

Strathclyde Skills Award University of Strathclyde I 2016

Nominations

Shortlisted for Outstanding Young Journalist Award Asian Media Awards | 2021

Shortlisted for Gender Equal Media Scotland Award Scottish Student Journalism Awards I 2019

Shortlisted for Outstanding Young Journalist Award Asian Media Awards | 2016

Other

CRER I Political Shadowing Scheme I November 2016 - April 2017

Selected to undertake opportunity following successful interview processions time shadowing various MSPs of a particular party at Holyrood Learnt about how Scottish politics functions from the inside

The Strathclyde Telegraph I News Editor I September 2016 - April 2017

Elected as news editor of my university newspaper, The Strathclyde Telegraph Role included pitching ideas, editing submitted pieces and ensuring articles were within the law Taught me how to manage a team with various schedules who were working on different projects

Education

MA Journalism

University of Sheffield I 2020

BA (Hons) English, Journalism and Creative Writing University of Strathclyde I 2:1 I 2019

HNC Digital Media

University of Stirling I A I 2015

Level 3 Journalism Diploma

Certifications

Growing and Engaging Your Audience Certificate Thomson Foundation I December 2022

Journalism Across Multiple Platforms Certificate Thomson Foundation I December 2022

Social Media Newsgathering Certificate

Thomson Foundation I December 2022

Complete All-in-One Adobe Creative Cloud Max Suite Certificate

Diploma in Social Media Marketing (with Distinction) Upskillist I March 2017

Diploma in Graphic Design (with Merit) Upskillist I February 2018

Fundamentals of Social Media Certificate Muck Rack I July 2020

Fundamentals of Digital Marketing Certificate Google Digital Garage I October 2020

NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Digital Promotions for Business

NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Smartphone Videography Ofqual I July 2016

BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Sound Production SQA I December 2015

Courses

Media Skills Compendium NUJ I October 2025

Contempt of Court and Reporting Restrictions NUJ I September 2025

The Effective Freelance NUJ I March 2025

Remote Multimedia Reporting

NUJ I November 2022

Copyright and Commissioning NUJ I November 2022

Coronavirus basic awareness on production training

ScreenSkills I October 2020

Writing for Social Justice UC Berkeley I February 2020

Why We Post: The Anthropology of Social Media

UCL I August 2018

Writing for Social Media UC Berkeley I June 2018

English for Journalists UC Berkeley I April 2018

Journalism for Social Change UC Berkeley I January 2018

Global Muckraking: Investigative Journalism and Global Media Columbia University I November 2017

The Online Marketing Fundamentals

Google Digital Garage I January 2017

Be Somebody Bauer Academy I June 2016

Social Media Analytics QUT

Making Sense of Data in the Media