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Broadcast Journalism BA (HONS) with First Class Honours graduate from the University of Salford. Additionally completed the NCTJ Video-journalism for Online qualification. I have gained experience in Television, Radio and Online journalism both inside and outside of my degree.

Industry Placements

- Channel 5 News** Had a week at Channel 5 News in London. Sourced and interviewed a man in Australia for a package. Edited a video which went out on social media. Also conducted several interviews on behalf of other journalists.
- Sky News - 2019 General Election Coverage** Worked with Sky News to cover the 2019 General Election. Was responsible for managing a live camera feed throughout the night via a LiveU. Additionally had to film the declarations and input results into Sky's website.
- BBC News - Click** Spent four days with BBC News' technology show. Here I researched and submitted stories for the show's weekly news bulletin. Spent time shadowing producer Paul Carter. Attended a Microsoft press conference and helped with filming for the show.
- ITV News - Granada** Got to spend a day at ITV Granada where I learnt how a newsroom operates. Shadowed producers and journalists. Also helped on a live outside broadcast for the main program.
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Recent work

Shock Radio

- Head of News** **May 2019 - May 2020** Responsible for organising and managing the radio bulletin team. As well as being responsible for any news coverage for the station.
- Presenter & Producer** **October 2018 - March 2020** Producer, tech operator and presenter of my own weekly radio show on Salford University's Shock Radio. The show was based on my passion for technology.
- Newsreader** **October 2018 - March 2020** Responsible for doing a live news bulletin weekly on Shock Radio whilst self-operating the studio.

Your MCR (web series)

- Vision & Audio Mixer** **October 2019 - March 2020** Operated the vision mixer, cutting between up to three camera feeds and constantly monitoring presenters and guest/s audio.
- Journalist** **October 2019 - March 2020** Produced, filmed and edited content for the show.

Salford Now Journalist & Tech Operator: November 2018 - March 2020

Through my degree I was required to undertake a minimum of 30 newsdays, operating in a web-first newsroom. As well as Radio and Television. It has given me experience in presenting, producing and package creation. Has made me used to working in a busy newsroom environment with over 90 people. I have also performed technical roles in the live Television gallery and self-operated radio bulletins.

Previous work

National Student

Writer	September 2018 – November 2018	Wrote technology articles for three months before becoming Assistant Editor.
Assistant Technology & Gaming Editor	November 2018 – April 2019	As Editor, I was responsible for managing a team of writers and ensuring the sections met quotas. Regularly pitched ideas for the team to write about. Sub-edited articles and sourced media for them.
Technology & Gaming Editor	April 2019 – August 2019	Continued responsibilities as an Assistant Editor but responsible for producing more content for the sections. Attended the Honor 20 Series Smartphones launch.

Alton Scout Association Beaver Leader: March 2013 – June 2017

Young Scout Leader for the Beaver section, volunteering weekly. Allowed me to develop my leadership, management and communication skills. Was responsible for researching, planning and demonstrating activities. Would help at camps, giving up weekends.

Education

University of Salford 2017 - 2020

Journalism (Broadcast) BA (HONS)	First Class Honours
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Thomas Alleyne's Sixth Form 2015 - 2017

ICT BTEC Diploma	Distinction*, Distinction*
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English Language A Level	B
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Skills & Achievements

Adobe Premiere, Audition, Lightroom & Photoshop

NCTJ Video-journalism for Online Qualification

iNews

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DofE Bronze, Silver and Gold

National Citizen Service Graduate.

Shock Radio's 'Best Newcomer' award for 2019

Manchester International Film Festival 2018 48hr Film Challenge Winner

Self operate a radio studio

Operating a camera and self-shooting

Full Clean UK Driving Licence. References available upon request.