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SUMMARY

I'm a 19 year old journalist passionate about learning and developing the techniques required in news broadcasting. I'm currently studying broadcast journalism at the University of Salford, based at Media City, alongside freelancing for EWTN, the world's biggest Catholic news provider. I worked as a journalist for the Catholic Herald for two years, managing email marketing for an audience of over 30,000, and producing video and written reports. I was recently elected as the Head of News at Shock Radio & TV, where I manage a team of 80 to produce a weekly news podcast, daily news bulletins, web articles, and social media content.

EXPERIENCE

- Shock Radio & TV** Sep 2025 - Present
Head of News
 - Elected to organise a team of 80 in producing a weekly current affairs show, news bulletins, web articles, video and audio, across multiple outlets
 - Sourcing stories and writing bulletins
 - Hosting live radio & TV shows (My show, University House, Shock News)
 - Filming reports for Shock News, having interviewed Paul Dennett, Mayor of Salford
- Catholic News Agency, EWTN** Jan 2026 - Present
Freelance Journalist
 - Reporting for the biggest Catholic news agency globally, having recently completed my first assignment reporting from Portcullis House and interviewing various MPs.
- The Catholic Herald** May 2024 - Dec 2025
Multimedia Journalist
 - Commissioned to produce video reports for the Catholic Herald to help drive website engagement, including a mini-documentary that received 30K views
 - Producing various written reports
 - Editorial responsibility for selecting, ranking, and distributing the most important stories of the day for 30K people for the News Digest, requiring strong knowledge of WordPress, Webflow, Mailchimp, and Campaign Monitor.
- UnderTheLedge.com** Sep 2017 - Present
Video Journalism for my website
 - Produced numerous news reports, and documentaries.
 - Built an audience of over 2,200 subscribers, and have achieved over 250,000 views on YouTube.
 - Developed presenting, editing, self-shooting and journalistic skills
- Vision The Musical** Feb - Aug 2025
Social Media Marketing & Drumming
 - Planning, shooting, and editing short social videos in a number of aspect ratios for TikTok, Instagram, X, and Facebook on short deadlines
 - Videos have included Vox Pops, B-Roll, and showreels, increasing sales revenue and brand awareness
 - Drumming in two shows a day, having achieved Grade 8
- The Student View** Apr 2023 - Dec 2024
The New Creator Fellowship
 - Youngest member of 30, 16 to 23-year-old applicants selected for a six-month programme covering the foundations of journalism.
 - Studying towards the NCTJ's Level 3 Certificate in Foundation Journalism
 - Invited to events hosted by the Financial Times in London, to meet fellow students and learn from leading industry reporters.

EDUCATION

- University of Salford** 2025 - 2028
BA (Hons) in Broadcast Journalism (*working towards*)
- Stonyhurst College, Lancashire** 2018 - 2025
A-Level results:
 - Photography: A*
 - English Lit: A
 - Business: B
 - Extended Project Qualification: B
 - Deputy Head Boy
 - Editor-in-Chief of the school magazine, 'The Eye', working with pupils from as young as 11 to develop a termly edition.
- The Art of Documentary** Apr - Sep 2023
Scholarship Holder & Graduate
 - Selected as one of four fully-funded scholars to complete the foundation module.
 - The course included: determining a story, funding a film, pre-production, gear for production, shooting & production, editing, sound & colour and finishing a film.

VOLUNTEERING

- Combined Cadet Force** Sep 2021 - June 2025
Junior Under Officer (JUO)
 - Selected as a Junior Under Officer to manage a platoon and lead by example in the various activities they undertake, developing leadership skills.
 - Created a respectful and disciplined atmosphere, balanced with fun and engaging tasks.
- Lourdes** August 2024
The Catholic Association
 - Volunteered over many years to help take sick and disabled pilgrims to Lourdes each year.
 - This included assisting in the local hospital and one-to-one personal care.
- Aid to the Church in Need** Nov 2022 - Jan 2024
Journalism
 - Commissioned to produce multiple packages about the charity's 'Red Wednesday' initiative.
 - Visited the Houses of Parliament to interview victims of religiously motivated terrorist attacks and filmed the work of MPs working to make a difference on the issue.

OTHER

- Passed the NCTJ 'Safety and Resilience for Journalists' scheme.
- Accredited by the National Union of Journalists, holding a student press card.
- Proficiency in the Adobe Creative Cloud, using Adobe Premiere Pro, Audition, Photoshop, and Lightroom on a near daily basis.
- Fully Manual Driving Licence

References available on request.