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EXPERIENCE

BBC News / Radio 4

May 2026 - Present

Assistant Producer, Freelance

- Working in the Religion & Ethics department in MediaCityUK, researching stories and booking guests for BBC Radio 4's programme Sunday

EWTN News

Jan 2026 - Present

Freelance Journalist

- Reporting for the biggest religious news provider in the world.
- Working on various assignments for a global audience, including attending events in parliament to interview MPs and survivors of religious persecution
- Travelling to Honduras in August 2026 to shoot a mini-documentary

National Catholic Register

Jan 2026 - Present

Freelance Journalist

- Commissioned to travel to Malta for a week to write a feature piece embedded with the country's tourism department

ITV News

June 2026

Work Experience, Westminster

- Embedded in ITV's Politics Department in the Houses of Parliament, assisting with interviews for social media of MPs, attending the government lobby, and taking notes on rushes for a TV piece for Good Morning Britain

Manchester Evening News

May 2026

Work Experience

- On the breaking news desk contributing to live blogging and web articles on the Makerfield by-election
- Shot and edited a long-form video for YouTube, which now has nearly 200k views, and ten short-form clips
- Wrote a couple of features for online / print

AdVaticanum

May 2026 - July 2026

Assistant Head of Audio-Visual

- Commissioned to travel France and Switzerland to film video reports and a multi-cam live stream.

Shock Radio & TV

Sep 2025 - Present

Presenter / Producer

- Self-producing and hosting a weekly current affairs show targeted at 16-24 year olds in North West England
- Strong editorial judgement, and guest booking skills
- Served as Head of News for a year, organising a team of 30 in producing a weekly current affairs show, news bulletins five times a day, web articles, and social media content.
- Strong understanding of bulletin writing, Zetta, and Adobe CC

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 achieved over 30K views
- Producing various written reports, including being assigned to stories abroad, interviewing Bishops, Priests, MPs, and survivors of terrorist attacks
- 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 roughly 300,000 views on YouTube.
- Interviewed many big names, including Jeremy Corbyn and Tommy Robinson

SUMMARY

I'm currently in my first year studying broadcast journalism at the University of Salford, based at Media City. Alongside my studies, I freelance with BBC Radio 4's Religion & Ethics department as an assistant producer, and with EWTN News - the world's largest religious news provider - recently having been assigned to cover events in Malta, Honduras, and the UK's Parliament. I also produce and host a weekly current affairs show targeted at 16-24 year olds in the North West on Shock Radio, where I served as Head of News for a year, managing a team of 30 to output a weekly news podcast, five news bulletins a day, web articles, and social media content. For two years I worked as a journalist for the Catholic Herald where I was assigned to various stories at home and abroad, written and filmed.

EDUCATION

University of Salford, Media City

2025 - 2028

Going into second year studying BA (Hons) in Broadcast Journalism

- Unconditional Offer

2026 Observer Journalism School

June 2026

Selected for a week long course in London covering the fundamentals of journalism

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, including: determining a story, funding a film, pre-production, gear for production, shooting & production, editing, sound & colour and finishing a film.

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 with the NCTJ
- Invited to events hosted by the Financial Times in London, to meet fellow students and learn from leading industry reporters.

VOLUNTEERING

Combined Cadet Force

Sep 2021 - June 2025

Junior Under Officer (JUO)

- Selected as a Junior Under Officer to manage a platoon of 20 younger students

Lourdes

August 2024, 2025, 2026

The Catholic Association / Order Of Malta

- 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 (washing, dressing, etc.)

OTHER

- Accredited by the National Union of Journalists
- Strong proficiency of the Adobe Creative Cloud (Premier, Audition)
- Head of PR for Vision The Musical in France, Summer 2025
- Strong understanding of Media Law
- Full manual driving licence
- Passed the NCTJ 'Safety and Resilience for Journalists' scheme.
- References available on request.*