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Current employment

Senior Lecturer in Science Communication, University of the West of England (UWE), Bristol, England. 11/08/14 to present

Freelance science journalist writing predominantly for *New Scientist*, *BBC Focus* and *Newsweek*

Nature of Senior Lecturer role

- Teaching on MSc in Science Communication course
- Teaching on undergraduate science communication modules
- Module leader for undergraduate and postgraduate modules
- Editing *Science Matters*, a magazine aimed at enhancing student experience at UWE
- Developing working relationships with organisations and individuals involved with the practice of science communication with the aim of enhancing student experience
- Organising an international science writing competition to help raise the profile of the Science Communication Unit (<http://bit.ly/1E57Mhp>)
- Delivering science writing training on behalf of UWE
- Submitting tenders for science communication contracts and research projects
- Teaching on the Masterclass in Science Communication course run by the Science Communication Unit

Previous employment

Editor, *Science Uncovered* magazine, 27/08/13 to 08/08/14 (Future Publishing)

Deputy Editor, *BBC Focus* magazine, 14/09/09 to 23/08/13 (Immediate Media)

News and Features Editor, *BBC Focus*, 08/04/09 to 11/09/09 (BBC Worldwide)

News Editor, *BBC Focus*, 17/01/08 to 07/04/09 (BBC Worldwide)

Production editor, *BBC Focus*, 02/10/06 to 16/01/08 (BBC Worldwide)

News Editor, *Weston & Somerset Mercury*, 02/04/01 to 29/09/2006 (Archant)

Reporter, *Burnham & Highbridge Weekly News* and *Bridgwater Mercury* 22/06/98 to 30/03/01 (Newsquest)

Reporter, *Weston & Somerset Mercury*, Somerset, 03/07/95 to 19/06/98 (Eastern Counties Newspapers Group)

Achievements

1. Editor of *BBC Focus* magazine's interactive iPad app, named 'specialist publication of the year' twice at the Digital Magazine Awards (2011 and 2012)
2. Editorial Person of the Year, BBC Magazines Awards for Excellence 2010
3. Shortlisted for Writer of the Year at PPA Awards 2011

Education

2003: Institute of Leadership and Management First Line Manager's Certificate (achieved while at *Weston & Somerset Mercury*)

1994-1995: Scottish Centre for Journalism Studies, Glasgow

Postgraduate Diploma in Journalism Studies (distinction)

1991-1994: Keele University, Staffordshire

Joint Honours Degree in Economics and Biology (class 2i)

1986-1991: Chesterfield School, Derbyshire

Four A-levels - Economics (A), Biology (B), Geography D, General Studies (E)
Eight GCSEs - Maths (C), Geography (A), French (A), Biology (A), Economics (A),
Chemistry (A), English language (B), English Literature (B)

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References

Available on request.