




OLIVER MANSFIELD

JOURNALIST

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PROFILE

Proactive and motivated, Oliver is passionate about engaging with people at the personal level, recognising that it is a human connection that generates clear and honest conversation, vital to effective and engaging Journalism.

A thorough researcher and skilled interviewer, Oliver is driven to tell stories that matter. His varied, cross-cultural experience has given him a deep appreciation of multiple view points, allowing Oliver to distil complex information to foster meaningful communication.

WORK EXPERIENCE

The Times, Placement. 2024

- Published **two articles** independently, achieving a further **5 bylines** across the website and printed newspaper.,
- **Spoke live** on national **Times radio**, explaining my published piece with Matt Chorley.
- **Researched** Post Office Scandal & Ghislaine Maxwell deposition.
- **Interviewed** world leading Conservationists.
- Covered court reporting, sport, environment, scandals (local, national, international)

Host & Producer of Under One Sky Podcast 2022-2023

- Produce and Host an **interview-based** podcast series exploring the nuances of homelessness with experts and well-informed guests.
- **Pioneered** the Podcast for a **major homelessness charity** based in London.
- The aim of the podcast is to **deconstruct** the negative **narrative** surrounding homelessness, to avoid careless speculation and stereotyping by society.
- **Topics include:** *Trauma, Substance Use, Lived Experience, the care 'System'*.

Co-founded Under One Sky Durham 2021- 2023

Head of Publications

- **Managed** a team of **12** as **Editor**, to produce publications across Newspaper, film, social media & audio.
- **Contributor** to the **Palatinate Newspaper**, writing comment pieces on social justice issues.
- Successfully pitched a **documentary** idea to PalTV, exploring the intersection between the Cost of Living Crisis and Homelessness.

Operations

- Established and instilled a **clear vision and mission** for UOS Durham.
- Co-ordinated and managed a team of **50 volunteers**, delivering material and relational support to **20 regular homeless friends** on a **weekly basis**.
- **Establish partnerships** with DASH, Palatinate Newspaper, PalTV, DUCFS.

Care4Calais Aid Worker Jul-Aug: 2022

- **Communicated and engaged** with Refugees displaced in Calais, whilst organising clothing distributions, food hand-outs and games.
- Undertook **Dissertation research** into the effectiveness of aid delivered to Refugees.
- Prompted interest in **Humanitarian Journalism**.
- **Cross-cultural engagement**.

Short-term Aid worker with Tearfund, Tanzania Jan-Mar: 2020

- Supported the work of AICT-MUD, in North Tanzania, to implement schemes focused upon **Poverty Alleviation**.
- Worked in a close-knit team of **8 volunteers**.
- **Advocated** for the causes supported by Tearfund by telling the stories of those affected by HIV and FGM through **social media**.
- **Cross-cultural engagement**.

Assistant teacher at Bethlehem College, Tauranga, Oct-Dec: 2019 New Zealand

- I spent **2 months** working predominantly in the PE department and the Administration of Bethlehem College, ages 5-18.
- **Planned and delivered lessons** for primary school aged children in Athletics and Rugby and assisted/ led PE lessons for ages 11-18.

EXPERTISE SKILLS

Trained in:

- **Media Law**
- Video/Audio production
- **Copywriting**
- Journalism Ethics
- Newsgathering
- **Interviewing**

Technology:

- **Adobe** Premiere Pro
 - Adobe Audition
 - **Burli**
 - Wordpress
 - Microsoft office
- #### Other:
- Cross-cultural engagement

EDUCATION

City, University of London

MA Broadcast Journalism

2023-2024

- Modules include :
 - Weekly Newsdays
 - Podcasting
 - Investigative Journalism
 - Political Journalism

Durham University

Geography BA

2020-2023

- Grade: **First**.
- Dissertation title: *'Is Effective Altruism an appropriate approach for evaluating the effectiveness of refugee NGO's aid?'* (Grade: 1st)
- Durham University Lacrosse: **2nd X**
- Collingwood College Rugby: **1st XV**

Merchant Taylors School, Northwood

2014-2019

- **Deputy Head Boy**
- Pitt Club Exhibition **Prize: Outstanding Service to the School.**
- 3 'A' Levels
 - (History **A***, Geography **A**, Philosophy & Ethics **A**)
- 10 IGCSEs (**9A*s, 1A**)
- 1st XV **Rugby**, 2nd XI **Cricket**
- **Elected head** of School Outreach Programme - **manage** team of 14.