Elizabeth Pillidge

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Career Objective

To offer communicative skills which contribute to an ever-changing, fast-paced journalistic environment; to help provide a fair and accurate presentation of news. Long term goal: foreign correspondent/missionary.

Education

• **2016 - current:** Third year, Bachelor of Communication (Journalism), RMIT University

• 2017 – current: Diploma of Languages (Spanish), RMIT University

• **2014:** Year 12, Sacred Heart College Geelong

Industry Experience

Internship with 101 East, Al Jazeera, Kuala Lumpur

Involved working with the *101 East* documentary team in pre- & post-production, researching, fact-checking, contributing story ideas and producing social media content (March, 2018).

Internship with ABC News Breakfast

Involved shadowing producers and reporters, gaining hands-on experience, editing social media videos and looking after guests (June, 2018).

Writer for RMIT student magazine, Catalyst

Published an article about restoring the Queen Victoria Market; involved interviewing appropriate talents and researching.

• Crew member for regional TV show, *Tough Times*

Was part of an on-set crew for one season of the series; involved being a cameraman, managing sound, producing questions for the host.

Geelong Advertiser Hot Shots Journalism Program

In 2012, participated in an eight-week course providing an insight into the news industry and learning from professionals.

Extra-curricular activities

RMIT Christian Union: Club secretary, Student leader

As a club executive of 2017, I was responsible for assisting in financial reimbursements and taking minutes at the AGM. The duties as a student leader involved helping to run events during O-week and throughout the year as well as welcoming new students and ensuring their wellbeing. Developed skills in leadership, organisation and pastoral care.

St. Jude's Carlton: Youth Group Leader

As a leader for secondary school-aged teenagers, I have responsibilities in coordinating engaging

activities with the other leaders and preparing Bible studies.

Employment

- July 2015 present: Pastry Retail Sales Assistant, Brunetti Café, Carlton
 Responsibilities: Taking orders, serving food over counter, managing cash register, restocking cakes, cleaning.
- May 2012 2015: Retail Sales Assistant, Brumby's Bakery, Belmont
 Responsibilities: Dealing with customers, counting money, slicing bread, handling complaints professionally, food safety, cleaning.

Skills & Abilities

- · Adobe Premiere Pro & Adobe Audition basic skills in editing videos and sound packages
- · Collaborative journalism Skills in working in a team, interviewing people and thinking on-the-spot
- Languages: Moderate in Italian and Spanish (speaking, reading and writing)

Interests:

- Travelling overseas and understanding different cultures
- · Interacting with children
- Learning people's stories

Referees

(Please email me at elizabeth.pillidge@gmail.com to request contact details)

- Sharon Roobol, 101 East Executive Producer, Al Jazeera
- Tito Ambyo, Associate Lecturer (Journalism), RMIT University
- Natasha Gellert, Children's Ministry worker

Personal Statement

Born in New Zealand, I immigrated to Australia with my family in 2007. I am keen to travel abroad as a journalist to communicate the stories of people with different backgrounds. I enjoy being involved with the RMIT Christian Union and studying the Bible.