

ZAINAB S QAZI

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EDUCATION

Master of Arts Mass Communication

AJ Kidwai Mass Communication Research Centre, Jamia Millia Islamia July 2024 – July 2026

- Relevant Coursework: Still Photography, Radio Production, Advanced Screenwriting, Media & Cultural Studies, Advanced Television Production, Digital Media Arts, Food & Popular Culture, Strategic Corporate Communication in the Digital Age
- Grade: Merit, 8.52/10 SGPA (First Year)

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) English

Jesus and Mary College, University of Delhi November 2021–June 2024

- Minor in Political Science, Applied Gender Studies, Film Studies
- Relevant Coursework: Literature and Mediality, Literary Criticism and Theory, Postcolonial Literature, Women's Writings
- Grade: Merit, 7.6/10 CGPA, First Division With Distinction

WORK EXPERIENCE

Headcanon Magazine

Remote

Columnist

September 2025 - Present

- Writing film reviews and personal essays for my personal column, Frames of Return.
- The column explores the ideas of memory, hope, resistance, and decolonisation in films.

Hamaara Itihaas Archives of Freedom Fighters

Hybrid

Research Intern

May 2025 - August 2025

- Assisted Sagari Chhabra, an independent filmmaker and Founder Director of the archive, in setting up an archival exhibition on the women freedom fighters of India.
- The work involved researching, transcribing, translating, documenting, and research writing, among other tasks.

The Wire

Remote

Editorial Intern

January 2025 – March 2025

- Edited articles via CMS or the Content Management System, transcribed interviews, and published the final pieces for the website.
- Researched and wrote contributing articles.

Association for Protection of Civil Rights

Remote

Research And Documentation Intern

September 2024 – October 2024

- Assisted with the formation of reports, drafting press releases, and handling media-related work, along with social media documentation.

Maktoob Media

Remote

Editorial Intern

July 2024 – August 2024

- Assisted the editorial team in forming reports, news, and stories.
- Researched and fact-checked relevant news pieces.
- Produced editorial content weekly.

Feminism In India

Remote

English Editorial Intern

September 2023 – October 2023

- Wrote two pieces (articles/reports/book and movie reviews/interviews, etc.) per week on the given topical issue, did research work, and got 15+ bylines published.
- Wrote opinion pieces and content for the official website of the magazine.

Outlook Publishing (India) Private Limited

Hybrid

Digital Marketing Intern

June 2023 – September 2023

- Streamlined content for Outlook Magazine's official YouTube and Daily Motion channels weekly.
- Uploaded videos and managed a sync between the different social media handles of the magazine.

The Scribbled Stories

Remote

Guest Writer

October 2021– February 2022

- Wrote creative pieces that reached 50 thousand+ users on Instagram.
- Worked on open letters, rants, breakdown music, snippets, and humorous content.

Led By Foundation

Remote

Teacher Assistant

November 2021 – December 2021

- Assisted the core team in organising the events and bridged the gap between the organisation and its fellows.
- Managed a cohort of 50+ women chosen for the Led By Accelerator Programme.
- Assisted the organisation in conducting weekly sessions and workshops.

POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

Sunny Mugs, Poetry Society of Jesus and Mary College

Hybrid

Vice President

June 2022 – June 2023

- Led the administrative council with the President and the General Secretary.
- Managed a team of 80+ creative writers and poets, and organised various events revolving around literature, poetry, and art.

VOLUNTEER WORK/EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Cauldron, Magazine Society of Jesus and Mary College

Hybrid

Editorial Board Member

November 2023 - June 2024

- Assisted the editorial board in screening entries and proofreading content for competitions, sessions, workshops, etc
- Worked on the publishing of *Dimensions*, the annual college magazine.
- Wrote articles and pieces for the magazine regularly for the forthcoming edition.

Girl Up Ikhtiyar

Remote

Content Writer

January 2023 - March 2024

- Wrote content on women and women's issues, intersectional feminism, and women's struggles and representation in different areas, etc.
- Ideated with the Ideation and Marketing team monthly and produced content on a bi-weekly basis.

Led By Foundation

Remote

Volunteer

September 2021 –October 2021

- Interviewed and connected five Indian Muslim women to the organisation.
- Prepared questionnaires, researched, and submitted the final stories for the platform.

AWARDS

April 2024: Third position in *Anupama Nair Creative Writing Competition*, awarded by the Department of English, Jesus and Mary College

April 2023: *Perry Banerjee Memorial Scholarship* awarded by the Department of English, Jesus and Mary College

SKILLS

Personal Skills: Communication, Leadership, Problem-Solving, Critical Thinking

Technical Skills: Microsoft Tools, Canva, Social Media Management, Content Development