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Profile

Confident, articulate, team spirited, investigative, analytical, and attentive to details.

Employment

Current Positions:

- Freelance Reporter for News Africa Magazine (since 2004).
- Translator/Interpreter with World Translation Bureau (WTB), a leading provider of translation and interpreting services to private and public sector clients and corporations. I offer translation and interpreting services between English, French and languages from Africa (since 2003).

De Havilland Information Services plc

Oct 2003 - Apr 2004

Media Data Researcher

- Carrying out specific projects related to expanding or maintaining the data contained in De Havilland's Mediapoint
- Obtaining and verifying contact and correspondent data on local, regional and national newspapers, consumer and trade journals and writing short profiles about them
- Sourcing physical data about publications, research over the Internet, and newspapers/magazines onto the database

Reporters Sans Frontieres, London Bureau

Jan 2001 – Dec 2003

Translator

- Translating reports from French into English.

New African Magazine, London

Jan 2001 – Dec 2003

Reporter/Sub Editor

- Writing feature articles based on current affairs and the political, economic, and social situation in Africa in general and in the Democratic Republic of Congo in particular.
- Submitting occasional articles to The Guardian national newspaper, London.

Charity Finance and Association Manager Magazines

Plaza Publishing Publications, London

Mar 2001 - Aug 2001

Reporter

- Reporting, doing accounts write-ups and writing profiles of various charities and voluntary organisations
- Conducting surveys, attending conferences and seminars on the UK voluntary sector
- Editing, subbing and proof-reading articles sent in by contributors
- Writing features articles on various issues affecting the UK voluntary sector

Fleet News (East Midland/Associated Press/EMAP)

Sep 2000 - Feb 2001

Reporter

- Reporting and writing briefs and feature articles on various issues affecting the UK fleet industry
- Attending car launches, seminars and conferences on the fleet industry
- Writing profiles of various fleet and insurance companies
- Contributing articles to Fleet Europe Magazine, doing follow-ups on press release-based stories

The Catholic Herald, Weekly Newspaper

Jan 1998 - Dec 2000

Reporter

- Editing stories from newswires
- Writing feature articles, press releases, book reviews and obituaries
- Attending conferences
- Interviewing, researching, and reporting within tight deadlines

Voluntary Experience and Internships

Bloomberg plc, TV Section

Nov 1999 - Jan 2000

Paid Internship

- Pictures editing, and cutting sound bites and Vos from various feeds
- Logging feeds from AP-APTN, ITN, ANSA Rome, or some other live programmes from various satellite feeds using the Win Cue system or Newsmaker
- Encoding (editing) packages and teases and requested by various news channels using VT2 Records

BBC

Jun 1999

Various experience (World Service, Business News, Today Programme, Television Centre)

- Arranging interviews
- Script writing and selecting appropriate pictures from the library

BBC, Focus on Africa

Jan 1999

Assistant Producer

- Press reviewing
- Recording, interviewing, taking in reports
- Translating scripts from French into English
- Checking story facts with correspondents
- Assisting the presenter in the studio by reading some reports

NBC News, London

Aug 1998 - Oct 1998

General Newsroom Assistant

- Logging the various news broadcasts
- Taking calls from a busy switchboard
- Assisting producers and camera crews
- Translating scripts from French into English
- Assisting in the library (picture research)

Freedom Forum, European Centre, London

Mar 1998 - Apr 1998

Intern

- Researching and organising seminars on specific media-related topics.

Education

1998. MA International Journalism, specialising in Financial Journalism. City University, London.

1996. Bachelor of Sacred Theology (STB). Missionary Institute London, affiliated to the Catholic University of Louvain, Belgium.

1992. BA Philosophy. Philosophy Centre, Jinja, Uganda, affiliated to the Urbaniana Pontifical University Rome.

Computer Skills

Microsoft Office with Word for Windows, Quark Express, Basys, Edit, ENPS, Excel & PowerPoint.

Languages

Fluent in French, English and several African Languages.

Personal

- Travel: I have travelled to many African and European countries.
- I enjoy meeting people of various cultural and linguistic backgrounds, as well as music, new movies, cycling and swimming.

References available upon request.