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Education

- M.A. University College London, English: Issues in Modern Culture, awarded with Distinction (2009)
B.A. University of Oxford, English Language and Literature, awarded with First Class Honours (2007)

Scholarships/awards

- Brown University:
Graduate School Fellowship (2014-2019)
- University of Oxford:
College Scholarship, 2005 (renewed 2006, 2007)
(Stipend for academic achievement)

Relevant journalism

Essays:

- 'The Room of Phantoms', 3:AM Magazine
<http://www.3ammagazine.com/3am/the-room-of-phantoms/>
- 'Autobiography as Defacement', 3:AM Magazine
<http://www.3ammagazine.com/3am/autobiography-as-defacement/>

Book reviews:

- My Struggle: Volume 1*, Karl Ove Knausgaard
ReadySteadyBook.com
<http://www.readysteadybook.com/BookReview.aspx?isbn=9781935744184>
- The Melancholy of Resistance*, László Krasznahorkai
ReadySteadyBook.com
<http://www.readysteadybook.com/BookReview.aspx?isbn=9780811215046>
- Dogma*, Lars Iyer
ReadySteadyBook.com
<http://www.readysteadybook.com/BookReview.aspx?isbn=9781612190464>
- Berg*, Ann Quin
ReadySteadyBook.com
<http://www.readysteadybook.com/BookReview.aspx?isbn=9781564783028>

Film reviews:

- Tabu*, Mario Gomes
Static Mass Emporium
<http://staticmass.net/world/tabu-movie-2012-review/>
- Days of Heaven*, Terrence Malick
Static Mass Emporium
<http://staticmass.net/the-emporium/days-of-heaven-movie-1978-review-2/>

Selected professional publications:

Guardian

<http://www.theguardian.com/higher-education-network/blog/2013/sep/10/qs-university-rankings-methodology-criteria>

Telegraph

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/universityeducation/9535651/MIT-the-worlds-best-university.html>

Times of India

http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2013-09-16/news/42113276_1_qs-world-university-rankings-mit-stanford-university

University World News

<http://www.universityworldnews.com/article.php?story=20110729141844636#!>

Teaching Experience

(Sept 2008-Jan 2010)

Private tutor, Self-employed (paid freelance position):

-Providing home tuition for a number of students studying English Literature at GCSE, AS and A-Level (15-18 year old high school students)

-Researching topics, providing secondary reading material and resources. Ensuring exam-board specifications were met

- Authors taught included Chaucer, Shakespeare, Donne, Keats, Robert Browning, Gerard Manley Hopkins, T.S Eliot, Thomas Hardy, Robert Ford, Philip Roth

April 2009 (2 weeks)

Revision tutor, Global Education Counselling (paid, full-time position):

-Teaching intensive revision courses to small classes (5-10) of AS and A-Level students at Mill Hill School, London

-Researching topics, planning lessons, assigning and marking written work according to exam board specifications

- Authors taught included Wordsworth, F Scott Fitzgerald, Robert Frost, Ian McEwan, Alan Bennett

Languages

French: Intermediate

Italian: Basic

Other employment

Jan 2011-present (two years, six months)

(New York City, April 2012 – present; London, Jan 2011-April 2012)

Senior education journalist

QS (Quacquarelli Symonds Ltd), higher education research and media company (full-time):

Editor: TopUniversities.com, TopGradSchool.com, *QS Top Grad School Guide* (200-page annual magazine), *QS World University Rankings Supplement*

Journalist: Writing articles, interviews and features for all of the above, plus numerous international publications including *Daily Telegraph*, *Times of India*, *India Today*, *University World News*, *International Business Times*, SINA.com

Author of research reports including *QS TopMBA.com Applicants Survey*, *QS Global 200 Business Schools Report* and *QS TopMBA.com Jobs and Salary Trends Report*

Public relations: Member of Executive Board for QS World University Rankings, advising on strategy, analysis and methodology; devising PR angles and writing press releases for global campaigns averaging over 1,000 pieces of coverage annually

Expert commentator: regularly interviewed by publications including the BBC, New York Times, Guardian, Daily Telegraph, Le Figaro, Miami Herald, Toronto Star, The Australian. TV and radio appearances including live debate on ABC Radio (Australia) and live TV interviews on BBC London News, CNN and CTV News (Canada)

Company ambassador: international conference speaking engagements and regular travel to India, Hong Kong, China, France, Canada, USA

Jan 2010-Jan 2011 (one year)

Education journalist, QS (full-time, c. £24k p.a)

Writing articles and features on higher education and university rankings for TopUniversities.com, TopGradSchool.com and a range of partner publications

PR: writing press releases and devising PR angles to promote QS research and events

Online content management, SEO optimising articles, basic html, photoshop

Aug 2007-August 2008 (one year)

Account executive, redheadPR public relations agency (full-time, 18k p.a):

Copywriting: to tight deadlines for national media, and for a range of clients: press releases; web copy; backgrounders, Q&As and promotional material; biographies; opinion editorial and comment pieces; media quotations on behalf of clients

Media relations: dealing directly with journalists on a day-to-day basis, securing coverage through outlets including: *The Observer*; BBC Radio 4; Sky News; *The Financial Times*; *The Independent*; *The Daily Telegraph*; *TIME Magazine*

Client relations: responsibility for a range of accounts, including: media consultancy; attending progress meetings; writing plans and progress reports; writing and presenting coverage evaluations to clients

Administration: producing client clippings booklets; proofing/editing client documents; maintaining filing, media lists and databases; working with Microsoft Office/Mac OSX

Freelance

Book reviewer at Music & Literature, 3:AM Magazine, ReadySteadyBook.com

Film critic at Static Mass Emporium, an online film journal:

<http://staticmass.net/the-emporium/days-of-heaven-movie-1978-review-2/>

Personal blog:

<http://dannysbyrne.wordpress.com/> reviews and essays covering literature, film, music and philosophy (over 60,000 visits)

