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SUMMARY

- Specialist with experience at one of the largest Ukrainian news broadcasters, where I worked gathering, translating, and editing news on a wide range of international issues. Last year I completed an MA in journalism and communication studies at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel.
- I am actively looking for job and traineeship opportunities in communications and the media industry. I am particularly interested in corporate communications and public relations.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

January 2018 - August 2018. International editor. Ukrainian TV-channel NewsOne

- My primary responsibilities included creating news content on very diverse topics such as:
 - The Helsinki summit - a meeting between Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin
 - The episode of the football team trapped in a cave in Thailand
 - Forest fires in Greece
 - The 2018 inter-Korean summit
 - The Poisoning of Sergei and Yulia Skripal, etc.
- This required me looking for suitable footage in either the Associated Press video hub or independent sources, drafting the video script, translating and rewriting it, work with the sound (record the text and clean it in the sound editor) and supervising the editing of the videos.
- I was also in charge of preparing news stories for TV anchors.
- Some samples of my work are available here: <https://bit.ly/2To99pK>

September 2017 - November 2017. Journalist. British online media The Uk.One

- I wrote, translated, and edited multiple news articles written into Russian for the Uk.One
- It is a publication that targets Russian and Ukrainian expats living in London
- Some of the topics I covered include:
 - Ideas of where to go and what to see in London (e.g. museums, gardens, events, historical buildings...)
 - Information about “trendy” places to eat: new pop-ups, restaurants, discounts, unusual food, etc.
 - News from the most popular chain supermarkets (i.e., Lidl, Aldi, Tesco, Morrisons...)
 - Cheap or free events for children in London (before the school holidays)
 - Interviews with Ukrainian students who were studying in the UK
- Some of my articles can be found here: <https://theuk.one/author/margaryta/>

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

2018 - 2019. Vrije Universiteit Brussel - Communications department

MS in Communication Studies, Journalism and Media in Europe

2017 - 2013. Taras Shevchenko National University of Kiev

BA in Journalism and communications

Awards

- Vice-champion of Belgium in a national fencing team competition in 2019
- Presidential award for a high-school research project in a junior Academy of Sciences of Ukraine ("Literary Work" category) in 2013
- Special prize in the "Literary Work" category of the XI International Festival of Youth Journalism in Kyiv in 20XX

Languages

- Ukrainian Native speaker
- Russian Native speaker
- English C1
- German B2
- French A1

IT skills

- Competent user of not only the Microsoft Office Suite but also open-source tools, including the Ubuntu distribution of the Linux operating system and the "Only Office" suite for editing documents. All my computer software is currently open-source
- I have been using Microsoft PowerPoint, Prezi and WordPress for several years, both in academic and professional situations
- During my time at the NewsOne, I learned how to use other programs such as iNEWS and Avid Interplay as well as sound editing software like Sound Forge Pro and Adobe Audition

Interpersonal skills

- I have excellent interpersonal skills. I sincerely enjoyed working with and meeting new people. I think this is essential for any person working in the media industry

Stress resistance and reliability

- I also consider myself a stress-resistant person. During my time at the Ukrainian TV broadcaster, the other international editor I was working with fell sick for a prolonged period. As a result, I had to take care of two successive shifts from 7 am to 12 pm to ensure the news was delivered on time and to a high standard.
- Happily, everything went well and, at the same time, I learned first hand about the dynamics and challenges of working in a newsroom.

Hobbies

- Reading and poetry. Some of my poems have been published in an anthology of young Ukrainian poets
- Language learning
- Fencing (épée)
- Taekwondo