MA Broadcast Journalism and MA TV Journalism online chat

This online chat session is for students interested in studying our MA Broadcast or TV Journalism courses. The session will be run by students from the courses giving you the opportunity to ask questions about their experience of studying at City, University of London and living in London. As this is a typed chat group session, you will be able to see the answers to questions asked by other applicants.

Thank you for joining us for today’s CityChat session. This session is for students interested in studying our MA Broadcast Journalism and MA TV Journalism courses. This session runs from 16:00 - 17:00 (GMT). This is an open chat session for you to ask any questions you have regarding these courses and life at City, University of London. During the session, we may also share videos, polls or documents related to your course.

To ask a question, please type it in the chat box. Your question will not post straight away - it will be sent to our Moderators who will type an answer back. Once their answer is complete, it will be published with your question. Please make sure you say which course you have applied to when you post your question. You are also welcome to post just saying hi and introducing yourself!

Your moderators today are:
Saffron Amis - MA Television Journalism student
Joe Saxon - Marketing Assistant

Hi! I’m Saffron and I’m studying television journalism. I look forward to answering any of your questions!

Hi, I’m Joe the Marketing Assistant here at City. I look forward to answering your questions!

Just wanted to know about employability of MA BROADCAST JOURNALISM

Hi, 86.8% of graduates were in employment six months after completing the MA Broadcast Journalism course. You can read more about it here: https://www.city.ac.uk/study/courses/postgraduate/broadcast-journalism

Broadcast Journalism MA Course

Study this Broadcast Journalism postgraduate course at a top-ranked London Institution. Alumni include Sophie Raworth (BBC).

Hi, I have been accepted onto MA TV Journalism. How much say do you have regarding the placement you are placed onto?
Hi, you are given a list of around 30 placements and you write these in order of your preference. Your CV is then sent to different placements and they choose who they want. I was very happy with mine and you get a different one for term 2 if you fancy a change.

Hi, I’m applying for MA Broadcast Journalism course, I wanted to know about the possibility of internships during the term of the course. Thanks.

Hi, for broadcast journalism the placements are based in the holidays. In general our weeks are very full on so you wouldn’t be able to fit an internship in during term time.

Hi Joe, Hi Saffron...I am interested in studying television journalism but I do not come from a journalism background, I have been working in IT. For the course would you say it is mandatory that someone has that experience (volunteering/internships), would you say it helps with getting accepted onto the course? Thanks.

Hi, it is definitely a good idea to get some experience in journalism before doing the course. Mostly to work out if you enjoy it and also to talk about in your application. Even if this is a week on hospital radio, it still helps!

Hi! One of my goals is to work for BBC News (perhaps in Washington, D.C.), so I’m curious how strong the course’s links with the BBC are, against that backdrop.

Hi, we have had lots of contact with the BBC, whether it’s some us going for placement at BBC News at 6 and 10 or BBC talent scouts coming to talk to us about different opportunities. The course has been great for making those contacts!

Are there any readings, videos that you would like to recommend, before we join the course? Any piece of advice. This is for MA Broadcast Journalism.

Hi! I would recommend watching as much news as possible from different shows (Euronews, ITC, Channel 5, Aljazeera), listen to the Today show every morning, podcasts are also great for specialist topics.

Hi Saffron, thank you for your response.

Do students have any time to engage in their societies after classes? Are you in societies, Saffron? What are they like at City?

You definitely have time to be in societies! I know people on my course who are on sports teams or in bands, there’s lots of options

As the course is full time, does this mean 9 to 5 pm everyday?
Hi, it can be anything from 9-5 or 11-7 or anything in between! The course is definitely full time and often we stay late to do editing or extra filming. It's worth it to make as much of the time as possible!

Thanks

There are 10 minutes left of this chat session. Please post any further questions now.

This session has now ended. Thank you for joining us for today's chat. If you have any questions, please email pgenquiries@city.ac.uk