Despite an ever-growing choice for undergraduates, I am completely sure on what course I want to do and how I would like this to take me further into the future. I have chosen to apply for Broadcast Journalism as the past couple of years have helped me learn and discover crucial things to allow me to progress onto this degree. Watching the news always makes me wonder; what goes on behind the scenes? Could I be part of the team that helps produce the broadcast? This course I believe will allow me to take part in something I’ve been hoping to for a long time.

The past year so far studying Print Based Media (Journalism) at BSDC I feel has given me a huge insight into the world of Journalism. As the course is centred around Journalism I have learnt a great deal, from how the newspaper/magazine industry runs from day to day, to the legal, ethical and professional obligations in the print based media industries. As part of my course I have created a portfolio of my own articles and undertook a Photography unit. This means I got to experience taking my own photographs to go alongside my own articles, as a real Journalist does today. This year we have just started working freelance and also TV production where we are producing our own short documentaries. This is going to help me learn a lot of basic skills within TV, something I’m really looking forward to developing at university.

I keep up to date and check in on the news via the Internet and newspapers a lot in my spare time. I especially enjoy reading The Independent as I take a huge interest in Political news and issues, something I think The Independent reports and writes on really well.

I have been fortunate enough to be a part of the college magazine team this year and last; I was given the opportunity to write a couple of themed articles for the Christmas edition and also again in a later issue. During this time I really enjoyed doing my own investigative work. This hands on experience has given me the insight of working together in a team and being given a specific role to fulfil. At school I was also part of the magazine team, as I am at college. This shows whenever there is an opportunity for me to contribute to anything I am interested in, I am more than willing to get involved.

My jobs have really helped me to develop my people skills and discover my personal strengths. Being in part time work since I was fifteen has allowed me to get to know so many different kinds of people, ultimately helping me a lot when I’m interviewing all types of people. Being myself around new people has also become something that comes naturally thanks to my jobs.

In school I am really proud of the leadership roles I achieved. During my time at secondary school, I became the female representative of my house, a prefect, a part of the school council, English leader, Sports leader, Humanities leader, ICT leader, and Science leader. However, my proudest achievement at school would be becoming a Reading Buddy. Being a Reading Buddy meant I was given a younger student who struggled with reading so I could help them with any struggles.

I would thoroughly enjoy the working atmosphere that this course brings and contribute to that by showing my level of determination and dedication throughout the whole three years.