

**Lewis James Gray**

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**Personal Profile:**

I am a third-year Journalism student looking to further my experiences in journalism, particularly in sports. I have experience covering live games and participating in press conferences at Salford City matches over the past year.

**Education and Experience:**

I am currently Sports Editor for Salford Now, where I have editorial control and subbing duties for content other people have produced on Football, Rugby League and other sporting events within Salford. I frequently cover live sports and events for the website, attending numerous Salford City games and participating in press conferences with players and the manager. Furthermore, I have worked within a live newsroom environment during my studies at Salford University for Salford Now, the local news platform produced by students at the University. I have been regularly producing content as well as taking up leadership positions within the newsroom. I have led the newsroom as a news editor, directing and controlling the workflow to ensure a constant stream of content for publication on both the website and social media. I have worked on numerous breaking news stories and worked on taking national stories and making them more relevant to local audiences.

Examples of my work:

<https://www.salfordnow.co.uk/author/lewisgray/>

[https://medium.com/@lewisgray\\_78829](https://medium.com/@lewisgray_78829)

<https://therealefl.co.uk/author/lewis-g/>

**New College Bradford (August 2019 – August 2021) - 3 A-Levels (ABB)**

**Bradford Academy (August 2014 – August 2019) - 8 GCSE's (4+)**

**Skills:**

- Confident using CMS (WordPress) - I have been consistently using WordPress throughout my time working on the Salford Now Website, and have taken up subbing roles, ensuring the quality and accuracy of content being released on the website.
- Teamwork – I have worked and supported my fellow journalists on newsdays to assist in the production and distribution of their stories. I have worked in a team to analyse council documents and extract content to release as stories to the public and inform them of their local government's plans.
- Creating visual and audio content for online and social outputs – I have worked on the social media side of the platform, creating infographics as additional content for stories. On top of this, I have created videos for social media in a similar style to NowThis News and the Manchester Evening News.
- Organisation and Time Management – Worked to deadlines and collaborated with colleagues to ensure deadlines are met and ensuring that there is a consistent stream of content throughout the day.

#### **Hobbies and Interests:**

- I have recently started a plan to lose weight through long walks and gym sessions.
- I enjoy playing video games.

#### **References:**

Helen Johnston,

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