

# CURRICULUM VITAE

**Daniel James Grabham**

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*Well organised, motivated and ambitious, with good writing/subbing skills and attention to detail. Inventive and articulate with good planning skills and contacts. Enjoys working in a friendly team and copes well deadlines. Excellent and flexible computing skills. Interested in music, computing/Internet and new technologies, football and travelling, Fun and friendly approach to others and enjoys socialising both in and outside of work. Experience of living abroad.*

## Work History

Past and present freelance writing - see list at [www.danielgrabham.com/portfolio](http://www.danielgrabham.com/portfolio)

January 2003 - Present

### **Future Publishing**

[w] [www.futurenet.com](http://www.futurenet.com)

Elected member of Future's Employee Involvement Group (EIG), a consultative body chaired by Future's Managing Director and Editorial Director.

#### **TechRadar.com** – Deputy Editor

Writing up-to-the minute technology news and reports for Future's new flagship online technology launch, commissioning features, reviews and news. Attending and reporting live from shows and events.

#### **Computer Upgrade** – Reviews Editor

Commissioning and writing features, reviews and group tests for the definitive guide on buying and fitting PC upgrades.

#### **PC Format** – Technical Editor

Managing hardware reviews section including sourcing cutting-edge hardware and commissioning and writing reviews, group tests and contributing to features.

#### **Laptop magazine (now closed)** – Reviews Editor

Sourcing hardware for reviews sections, commissioning reviews where necessary and writing news on new hardware, reviews and features/tutorials as necessary.

#### **.net magazine** – Staff Writer

Writing a variety of in-depth features and tutorials, sourcing hardware and gadgets to compile the Gear section, .net's monthly look at the latest kit.

January 2002 – December 2002

#### **Andrew Brodie Publications (now part of A&C Black/Bloomsbury)** – Technical Editor

[w] [www.andrewbrodie.co.uk](http://www.andrewbrodie.co.uk)

Working with Andrew Brodie's rapidly expanding range of educational workbooks and teaching resources. Writing press releases/articles, designing advertising materials, liaising with printers and preparing books for print.

September 2001 – December 2001

#### **Digital One** – Website advisory role

[w] [www.ukdigitalradio.com](http://www.ukdigitalradio.com)

Website and research for the UK's provider and promoter of commercial Digital Radio.

May 2001 – August 2001 (made redundant)

#### **Haymarket Publishing**

[w] [www.haymarketpublishing.com](http://www.haymarketpublishing.com)

#### **the net magazine (now closed)** - Technical Editor / News Editor

Overseeing the 'Advice Centre' section and generating ideas for this - 20pp section of tips and advice including two features per month, researching and writing 5pp news section on the latest stories and other writing for the main body of the magazine.

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August 2000 - May 2001

## **Future Publishing**

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### **.net magazine** - Online Editorial Assistant

Writing stories for on general Internet topics including writing the Music page, reviewing music websites and previewing events. Looking after the .net website's content ([www.netmag.co.uk](http://www.netmag.co.uk)) and ensuring that it is kept up to date. Supervised redesign in January 2001 to coincide with the redesign of the magazine itself. Writing twice-weekly email newsletter with 18,000 circulation.

Varied **work experience** including stints at student and local radio stations such as Hampshire's 103.2 Power FM, Somerset's Orchard FM, BBC Radio Solent and student and school magazines and newspapers.

## **Education**

September 1997- June 2000

BA (Hons) Journalism Degree Course [Multi-Skilled Pathway]

### **Southampton Institute**

Media Arts Faculty, East Park Terrace, Southampton. SO14 0YN

[w] [www.solent.ac.uk](http://www.solent.ac.uk)

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February - June 1999

I attended an Erasmus exchange programme at the **Academie Voor Journalistiek** in Tilburg, The Netherlands. This module was open to a handful students from our course. During this module we looked at different European Issues affecting Journalism. During my time there I was a delegate to the 1999 Forum of European Journalism Students in Antwerp and the joint-editor of the magazine produced at the Academie.

September 1989 - July 1997

### **Wellington School**

South Street, Wellington, Somerset.TA21 8NT

A-Level      Grade C - English Literature, Geography, Mathematics

GCSE         Grade A - English Language, French, Geography, German, Mathematics.

Grade B - Biology, Chemistry, English Literature, Physics

## **IT and web skills**

- Thorough understanding of both MacOS X, Windows XP and Windows Vista.
- Web – HTML, Macromedia Studio (inc. Dreamweaver/Fireworks), FrontPage.
- Good adaptability and experience of many different packages including Adobe InDesign, Quark XPress, all versions/applications of Office including 2007 and other Adobe Creative Suite elements including Photoshop.

## **Other Information**

- Full UK Driver's Licence and Passport. US I-Visa holder (for media professionals).
- Certified PADI Open Water Diver
- Interests include collecting music, technology/computing, football and travel.

## **References**

- Available on request.

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