# Sam Woolfe

# **PROFILE**

As a hard-working and proactive writer, I am driven by a desire for continuous learning and gain satisfaction by completing tasks to the highest standard. In addition to my experience as a freelance writer and journalist, I run a personal blog (samwoolfe.com) that consistently receives 50,000+ visits every month. As a result of this blog, I rank on the first page of Google for 150+ keywords, with several of my articles appearing as the very first Google search result. Building a successful website has helped develop my content creation skills, as well as broaden my knowledge of WordPress, SEO, Google Analytics, Google Search Console, HTML, and CSS.

I enjoy meeting and collaborating with people from diverse backgrounds and consider myself to be honest and reliable. I am interested in a role that draws on my skills in writing, research, and editing, and I look forward to becoming a valued team member.

# **QUALIFICATIONS**

BA (Hons) Philosophy (Durham University, 08/2012): 2:1
A-Levels (Fortismere School, 08/2009): English Literature: A, Philosophy: A, Sociology: A
GCSEs (Aldenham School, 08/2007): 10 GCSEs (8 As, 2Bs)

# WORK HISTORY

### June 2016 – Present: Freelance Writer

Current Roles:

- Writing articles for Psychedelic Support, an educational platform and therapy search site. This involves covering studies in the field of psychedelic research.
- Creating actionable mental health content for Jubi Clinic, a Sydney-based psychiatry clinic. I focus on philosophical and psychological ideas such as those found in Stoicism, Buddhism, and positive psychology that aim to improve well-being.

### Previous Roles:

- Creating well-researched, SEO-driven content for HealingMaps, a psychedelic therapy and retreat directory. I provide informative articles on many aspects of psychedelics, including science, policy, culture, history, harm reduction, and psychotherapy.
- Producing ghostwritten blog posts and LinkedIn posts for the marketing agency Layup Content. I communicated in a timely and reliable fashion on Yammer and also collaborated with the team using Google Docs, Google Sheets, and ClickUp.
- Writing articles related to psychedelics and mental health for the retreat website Retreat Guru. This role involved in-depth research into the relevant scientific literature and producing long-form content in line with a given brief. I used Asana to collaborate with my editor.
- Blogging for HealthyPlace, the largest consumer mental health website. I was adept at using Drupal to publish my content and received extensive SEO training as part of my development in this role.
- Writing career advice articles for Inspiring Interns, a graduate recruitment agency. Numerous

content partners published my work, including CV-Library, Entrepreneur, Fairygodboss, Glassdoor, Kaplan International, *LA Times*, Personal Branding Blog, Recruiter.com, Top Universities, and Undercover Recruiter.

• As a writer for Frontier Marketing, I planned, researched, created, and edited webpages for mental health treatment centres and rehab clinics in the US. I was also responsible for optimising my content for specific keywords and writing in line with SEO best practices. In addition, I used Grammarly to ensure clean copy and utilised the Hemingway App to improve the readability of my content.

• I was a regular contributor to Self-Himprovement, a men's lifestyle and wellness website. I was able to adopt Self-Himprovement's conversational tone and source high-quality, relevant images for my articles. I also became familiar with Trello, Slack, and HubSpot's CMS.

### July 2015 – May 2016: Travel

• 10 months of travel in Europe, Asia, and Latin America.

### July 2014 – July 2015: News Researcher: Kantar Media

• Monitoring emails for major press releases from various organisations. I would then summarise the findings in the house style and create an item in our Forward Planner, a diary of events taking place in the year ahead. This task required the ability to pick out essential details and rewrite them concisely and impartially.

• Following up on leads with web research, emails, and phone calls with press contacts.

• Editing items to be sent out on our email alerts to clients, which involved meticulously checking for house style errors, typos, grammatical mistakes, discrepancies, and factual inaccuracies.

• This position enabled me to remain calm and collected in a time-pressured and busy environment, work to tight deadlines, and improve my writing, editing, and research skills. Managing my workload and time effectively also developed my organisational skills.

#### October 2013 – May 2014: Marketing & Communications Officer: The Peter Jones Foundation

• Writing newsletters and fresh web copy, as well as rewriting existing web content.

• Formulating and implementing a social media marketing strategy for the Foundation's products: Tycoon in Schools and the Peter Jones Enterprise Academy.

• I learned how to create online content and manage websites by using HTML. I also expanded my social media marketing skills by using Hootsuite to promote the Foundation and its products on a range of social media channels.

• I started as an intern, but the CEO was impressed with the high quality of my work, so I was kept on as a Marketing & Communications Officer. My other duties also included handling phone/email enquiries and data entry, allowing me to become proficient in Microsoft Outlook and Excel. Email marketing skills were gained by regularly using MailChimp.

# **INTERESTS AND HOBBIES**

My hobbies include hiking, travel photography, drawing, and drumming. My interest in philosophy led me to write several articles for *Philosophy Now*, the most widely read philosophy publication. I have also written pieces on philosophy for the Institute of Art and Ideas (IAI), the Partially Examined Life, *Senses of Cinema*, Epoché Magazine, and the Psychedelic Press journal. In my spare time, I enjoy seeing live music, listening to podcasts, and attending Meetup events.