

BA (Hons) Daniel Gareth Cottrell

Date of Birth: 18th May 1984

Personal Profile: Creative, motivated, enthusiastic and committed radio professional seeking to make a valuable contribution in the media industry and develop my career.

Education and Qualifications

2002 – 2005: **Manchester University**

BA (Hons) Media Radio Production

Modules Include: Visual Culture, Licensed Popular Entertainment, The Information Age, Media Forms / Institutions and Audiences, Documentary making, Vocational Issues, Media Research methods, Introduction to Language, Visual Cultures

2000- 2002: **Tameside College**

Advanced G.N.V.Q in ICT

Double award

1996- 2000: **The Blue Coat School**

10 GCSE passes: Including Maths, English and Science

Relevant Experience

April 2011 – Current

103.6 FM Tameside Radio (Presenter)

- Present and produced the weekday Breakfast Show
- Manage the stations output
- Produce Adverts, promos, idents
- Publicise shows, events and set up broadcasting equipment
- Update music playlist
- Train volunteers

November 2008 – Feb 2009

XFM Manchester (Producer)

- Produce the XFM breakfast show podcast
- Have creative input in the running of the breakfast show

February 2006 – November 2008

Key 103 Manchester and Magic 1152 (Freelance Producer)

- Freelance Producer
- Work Experience 'Toolan In The Morning'

October 2005 – February 2006

96.3 Radio Aire (Assistant Producer)

- Assistant creative producer

August – September 2004

Half light' Film Productions limited (Directors Assistant)

- Assisted director Craig Rosenberg on the filming of 'Half Light' starring Demi Moore.

September – October 2004

HCR Fm (Presenter)

- Presented a weekly show and supported volunteers.

August 2002

Manchester Commonwealth games (Volunteer)

- A Volunteer in the IBC (International Broadcasting Centre)
- A runner to all the major broadcasting cooperation involved in the games

July – September 2002

96.2 The Revolution (Producer)

- Producing the weekly sports show
- Research

Other Experience

Radio: During my degree course I gained experience in both the academic and practical side of media production. I have also gained significant industry experience in both commercial and community radio, having worked at several commercial and community radio stations. I am confident using digital editing software such as Cool Edit Pro and Pro Tools. I am also able to use studio equipment both analogue and digital. I have a personal recording studio, which I use for freelance presenting and production work.

Television and Video Work: Along with my Radio work, I also have experience in presenting for TV and corporate videos. In 2011 I successfully made the final 5 of the BBC's search for a new CBBC Presenter. I have also presented corporate videos for Mercedes, Tameside Council events and Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service.

Live Compare and Event Hosting: In recent years I have hosted many live events in the Manchester area. One major event was Party in the Park 2011. This was attended by over 8 thousand people, headlined by Jocelyn Brown, I fronted the whole event.

Information Technology: Computers play a big part in my life. I spend a great deal of my leisure time using computers, to gain knowledge, and for educational purposes. Similarly my working day consists of using computers to produce, communicate, and research. I am also able to build web sites; I have built a personal web site and a web site for my church which I update weekly.

Music: Music is one of my major passions in life. At Tameside Radio I update the playlists on a daily basis. This gives me the opportunity to hear and share not only new music but also old classics. I have a very varied taste in music, liking most genres of music especially 60's rock. I am also a keen guitarist and I write my own music, which I perform with my band around the local gigging circuit.

Time Management: Over the entire course of my education from GCSE's to degree level, it has been crucial to have good time management skills to manage what has on regular occasions has been a heavy workload. Working in radio has also equipped me with the skills to work to tight deadlines.