Science Writer

Raw Talk Podcast is currently seeking applications for our Season 6 Cast

Raw Talk is a graduate student-led podcast focused on bridging the gap between science innovation and science literacy. Since its launch in 2016, our team has ventured across campus and back, to capture the breadth of medical science research at U of T, and the scientists behind it. New members can expect an enriching experience in communication and opportunities to connect with scientists, health professionals, and the broader public.

Science Writers are tasked with writing and editing pieces from specific episode content and pitching them to magazines and/or to upload on our website. The episode team will research content, host and produce the final episodes. Certain episodes will have interesting stories, information and news that can be extended into a writing piece and pitched to magazines. Your role will include selecting interesting aspects of the episode topics to write about, working with the episode team to develop the narrative, researching relevant academic and journalistic literature, and working with the executive producer of the assigned episodes as well to write and edit the final writing piece.

Science Writers will be required to commit to **3-4** pieces per season. The estimated time commitment for each writing piece is **~5-7 weeks/episode** (time may vary depending on how far ahead topics are set)

*Note: Science writers also have the flexibility to work on 1 or more episodes as a Content Creators.

As a science writer, you will have the following key qualifications:

- Experience with writing and editing content for online publishing (magazines, blogs, etc..)
- A compelling writing style suitable for stories about science, health, and medicine.
- Proven experience with delivering informative content to diverse audiences
- Excellent time management skills and ability to manage the pace of a team

As a successful candidate, you:

Are a graduate student with a strong research and writing skills

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- Aspire to improve science literacy and make science accessible to a broader audience
- Have an interest in and talent for storytelling and journalism
- Are analytical and creative
- Communicate effectively across disciplines
- Value accountability and embody it
- Have strong time-management skills
- Are dedicated, responsible, and self-motivated towards achieving goals
- Embrace new opportunities with a sense of humour and adventure
- Strive for excellence and constantly look for ways to improve

We welcome applicants from all graduate programs, but preference will be given to students who have an interest in science communication and enjoy listening to podcasts relevant to Raw Talk's capabilities: conversation (e.g. long-form interviews); and/or narrative (e.g. investigative, informational).

Apply by submitting the following as a **single PDF document** to our email: rawtalkpodcast@gmail.com with the subject line "Season 6 Cast"

- 1-page resume
- 100-word **statement** about a podcast (single episode or series) or science-related magazine you like, why you like it, and what it does well
- 1-2 writing samples; these could be magazine-style or academic articles, on science or non-science topics: whatever you think would best highlight your skills!

Applications close at **11:59 pm ET on Sunday, June 20, 2021**. We sincerely thank all applicants for their interest.