

Patrick Scott - CV

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Experience

Data projects editor, New Statesman Media Group & GlobalData Media | 2020 –

Since July 2020 I have been the projects editor and deputy head of a newly formed data journalism team covering the *New Statesman* and eight other titles within the New Statesman Media Group. I have helped build the team over the past year and have led on establishing our visualisation practices, delivering training to journalists both inside and outside the team. I have overseen many ambitious visual projects while in the role, including our US election forecasting model. This has involved managing developers and journalists as well as liaising with editors across the group. Our remit has expanded recently to cover an additional 21 titles in the GlobalData Media portfolio.

Senior data journalist, The Telegraph | 2016 – 2020

I worked on a mix of news stories and longer-term investigations and visual projects. This involved solo work and collaboration with reporters throughout the newsroom as well as with designers and developers across both online and print. I broke front-page stories and worked hard to build the reputation of the team within the organisation. I managed innovative visual projects and experimented with building paywalls into interactive embeds within otherwise free articles. One such experiment – a 2019 general election guide to tactical voting – generated the second highest number of subscriptions for any online article in the paper's history.

Visiting lecturer, City University London | 2018 – 2020

I taught an introductory data journalism module to journalism master's degree students. This included basic spreadsheet and visualisation skills and some scraping.

Data journalist, Trinity Mirror (now Reach plc) data unit | 2014 – 2016

I worked on a centralised team providing data-driven news across Trinity Mirror's regional and national titles, writing original stories daily.

Education

City University, London | 2013 – 2014
MA Interactive Journalism (Distinction)

University of Oxford | 2010 – 2013
BA English Language & Literature (2:1)

St Mary's College Blackburn | 2008 – 2010
A Levels: English A*, History A*, Maths A,
Physics A

Technical Skills

- Data analysis in R, including scraping and statistical methods and models
- Experienced in creating bespoke interactive graphics with JavaScript (d3) as well as possessing more general front-end web dev skills
- Static visualisation with R and Adobe Illustrator (ai2html)
- Geospatial analysis and viz with QGIS