

# Taylor Marsden

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## Experience

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### QuestChat

March 2014 - Present

#### Blogger

- Write weekly SEO-friendly articles on relationships, love and dating for the QuestBlog

### TeamBuy.ca | Buyers Unite

June 2013 – March 2014

#### Content Editor

- Led and assigned daily work to a creative team of 6 members
- Created and edited all customer facing and internal site content, email marketing communications and the Team Give blog – delivered to 5+ million subscribers daily through TeamBuy.ca/Dealfind
- Co-led weekly marketing meetings
- Contributed to all national ad campaigns alongside graphic design, affiliate and social media teams
- Proposed and implemented all Copy policy and style changes
- Developed all training materials for incoming and current Copy staff

### Senior Content Editor

July 2011 – June 2013

- Supported writers with appropriate coaching and tips to promote constant improvement in the areas of writing quality and productivity
- Coordinated and led bi-weekly team meetings
- Edited and proofread all content before uploading to a national audience of 3 million subscribers
- Worked closely with the Content Editor to ensure all copy effectively achieved the TeamBuy writing structure and voice
- Interfaced with sales management, account coordinators, marketing (graphic designers, community manager, affiliates), and customer service departments as required

### Culture Ambassador/Event Planner

June 2011 – Present

- Conceived and executed large and small scale monthly company events with the purpose of boosting morale, teambuilding and maintaining an exciting company culture
- Worked within fixed budgets (\$2000 and up) to entertain parties of 100+ attendees

### Copywriter

January 2011 – July 2011

- Researched and created several 'daily deal' features a week (published daily across 20 Canadian cities; audience of 1 million subscribers)
- Wrote clear, concise and clever copy
- Scheduled, uploaded and maintained all written site content



- Worked closely with in-house marketing team to create and maintain the brand/voice
- Conceived, developed, pitched (even voiced!) both local and nationally based advertising campaigns (print, video, radio, web)

### **Smartslips Inc.**

**December 2011 – January 2012**

- Developed brand identity and voice alongside owner and co-CEO Corey Gross
- Created company's "consumer card" - displayed on the Smartslips micro-site as well as in retail stores nationwide

### **Toronto East York Observer/ Observer Online**

**January 2009 – December 2010**

- Feature and news writer
- Articles ranging from community food bank issues, Toronto budget concerns, Ontario college crunch of 2010
- Assistant Editor on six issues of the East York Paper

### **Mudd Magazine**

**March 2010 – June 2010**

- Freelance arts and culture journalist for this Toronto fashion magazine – piece written on the DJ culture progression published as a four-page feature
- Blogged for official website in June 2010

### **Toronto Film Scene**

**March 2010 – November 2010**

- Main contributor – blogged two film review pieces published every two weeks to the site; [www.thetfs.ca](http://www.thetfs.ca)
- Contributed to monthly "Best Of" podcast

### **Sugarcain Entertainment**

**March 2009 – October 2010**

- Blogged music, television and film articles

## **Education**

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### **University of Toronto (St. George Campus)**

**2004-2008**

English, Music History and Culture

### **Centennial College (College of Communications)**

**2008-2010**

Journalism - Print

## **Skills**

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- Quality interviewing skills – interviewed politicians including former Mayor of Toronto David Miller, musicians, filmmakers, actors, business owners, CEOs of major Toronto corporations, working journalists, etc.
- Radio/podcasting experience
- HTML, CSS, Photoshop and SEO familiarity
- Fluent in web-based content management systems and blogging platforms (e.g. WordPress, Tumblr); welcomes the opportunity to learn new systems
- Proficient in copyediting and able to restructure prose quickly for the appropriate medium
- Project management skills