

RICK LEWIS

AUDIO/VISUAL STORYTELLING

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EDUCATION

B.A. English Literature

The University of Alabama

Summa Cum Laude, 4.0/4.0

Minors: Creative Writing, General Business, & Social Innovation

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, University Fellow, Anderson Society

SKILLS

- Scripted Content Development
- Coverage Writing
- Market Competitiveness Research
- Adobe Audition / InDesign
- Audio Recording / Editing
- WordPress / SquareSpace
- iTunes / Soundcloud
- MS Office Suite
- Project Management

INTERESTS

Surrealist fiction (e.g. George Saunders); nice Saturday afternoon podcast walks; all of the ice creams

EXPERIENCE

Fulbright English Teaching Assistant

The Fulbright Program | Ipoh, Malaysia | Jan 2019 - PRESENT

- Teach English, Creative Writing, and Podcasting classes using English language instruction; publishing collection of student writings: *The Flame of the Valley*
- Led podcast storytelling workshop at a national conference for 200 participants in Kuala Lumpur targeting underprivileged Malaysian students wishing to engage in diversity education through storytelling; efforts highlighted by the US Ambassador to Malaysia in an editorial in Malaysia's most circulated newspaper
- Coordinated fundraising for school programs and initiatives, raising 5,500+ MYR (1,400k+ USD) from donations and partnerships with the Malaysian Ministry of Education, US Embassy in Kuala Lumpur, and various private donors

Audio Content Fellow

BTC Inc. | Nashville, TN | Jan 2018 - Jan 2019

- Started BTC Inc.'s (publisher of *Bitcoin Magazine*) podcasting division; in under a year, our three person team gained over 150k unique downloads and \$50k in sponsorship deals
- Produced *Distributed Dialogues* podcast dedicated to covering human interest stories in the crypto/technology space, co-operating across multiple editorial, design, and sales teams

Way Out Podcast Co-Creator

Way Out | Tuscaloosa, AL | June 2017 - May 2018

- Worked with Anastasiya Titarenko to create the 6-episode podcast series, *Way Out*, documenting stories from and about Alabama's LGBTQ+ community
- Recorded, edited, mixed, wrote copy, and produced 3+ hours of audio content
- Presented the podcast at the 2018 David Matthews Civic Institute conference

Director of Client Strategy

Forza Financial | Tuscaloosa, AL | Nov 2016 - May 2017

- Led the client business consulting wing of student-run microfinance non-profit
- Oversaw development and building of client resource database in order to provide a business-oriented guide to community members/clients