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### **Profile:**

After completing the University of Wolverhampton's BA (Hons) Interpreting (British Sign Language/English) and graduating with a First-Class Honours degree, I moved into interpreting in community settings in domains such as:

- Media Interpreting
- Mental Health
- Performance/Entertainment
- Training Courses (Multiple Domains)
- Public Events/Conferences
- Education (Primary, Secondary and Further)
- Weddings and Funerals
- Professional/Business Meetings

I have also developed multiple modulation skills utilising translanguaging, Visual Vernacular/gesture and conversational IS through my work with individuals with Idiosyncratic or non-British Sign Languages in my everyday work.

Following my time as a staff Interpreter, I moved into my current freelance career where I specialise in performance/media, Education and working alongside Mental Health professionals. I regularly travel regionally and nationally to work in theatre, performance and media domains to work on specific projects or shows, both audience-facing and behind the scenes for example: Pantomimes, Musicals and Plays.

### **Professional Accreditation and memberships:**

- The National Registers of Communication Professionals Working with Deaf and Deafblind People (NRCPD) - Registered Sign Language Interpreter (RSLI)
- The National Registers of Communication Professionals Working with Deaf and Deafblind People (NRCPD) - Senior Practitioner
- The Association of Sign Language Interpreters (ASLI) - Full Member
- The LGBTQIA+ Interpreter and Translator Network.

I am also a qualified Early Years Practitioner (Level 3), which informs my interpreting working within education, children's social work settings and wherever safeguarding procedures influence/dictate the outcome of the assignment. In my spare time, I enjoy expanding my linguistic repertoire by independently learning International Sign and American Sign Language through socialising and online materials. In addition to this, I also enjoy international volunteering, which increases my knowledge of other lived experiences/cultures.