# Lydia Sanders

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<u>Languages</u>

Advanced Spanish, advanced French, basic Italian, reading level Russian

## Education

Durham University

BA (Hons) Modern Languages and Culture with a Year Abroad (Spanish and French), upper second class degree

Year Abroad at the Condé Nast College Madrid

Certificates of Condé Nast College in Estilismo de Moda, Periodismo de Moda, Las Redes Sociales y Influencers, El Negocio de la Moda

Year Abroad at the Paris American Academy in conjunction with the Ecole des Beaux Arts de Paris

Certified qualifications in Haute Couture, Draping, Madame Grès Plissé dress skills, Art History, Couture History, Luxury Branding

Year Abroad at the University of Salamanca, Cursos Internacionales

Certificate of the USAL in Spanish Language (C2 level), Spanish art history, the history of women in Spain, the Arab world within the Hispanic world

William Farr C of E School

A Levels: AABB, Spanish, English Literature, French, History

Lincoln Minster School

GCSEs: 9 A\*-B, including English and Maths

### **Career Summary**

Hysterical Herstories Publication

Author (ongoing) -

Writing and publishing a series of books for children recounting the stories of incredible women throughout history, learning skills in owning a business, leadership, time management, writing, editing, taking editing critiques, coercing with the different levels involved in publishing a novel: illustrators, publishers, animators, printers, researchers

Stanbridge Accountants

Translator (ongoing) -

Attending meetings, adapting and making myself flexible to anti-social working hours due to the needs of clients working in different time zones, advanced knowledge of specialist vocabulary, developing personal connections between client and accountant, coordinating with the firm director

Bingham and Hykeham School of Dance

Dance Teacher (2009-2016) -

Teaching children between the ages of two and eighteen how to dance ballet, tap and modern, choreographing routines, caring for the needs of children doing sport, running the weekly dance equipment shop, auditing the cash register and keeping track of the stock intake, doing fittings, learning how to be a business-owner and taking on responsibilities, cleaning up nerves-related accidents, co-organising and choreographing the bi-annual dance show

### **Professional experience**

Stanbridge Accountants (July 2016)

Work Experience as an Accounting Technician -

Learned how to use accountancy specific software, answered the telephone, professional tea and coffee maker, attended staff meetings, attended client one to one meetings

The Lincolnshire Echo (February 2013)

Work Experience as a Journalist -

Learned the pressurised ins and outs of a high powered newspaper, taught how to write snappy articles, conduct interviews, write up theatre and restaurant reviews, then carried out these tasks independently with the reward of publication in a real newspaper

Central St Martin's, UAL

Certificates from short courses at CSM -Fashion Styling for Beginners (April 2017); Advanced Fashion Styling (June 2017); Fashion Journalism (June 2019); Haute Couture History (March 2020)

#### **Other Qualifications**

LAMDA Grades 1-8, gold medal BBO ballet, tap, modern dance grades 1-8 Winner of the Lincolnshire County Schools Speech and Debate Competition (2014) Winner of the Rose Bowl for highest overall score at the Lincoln Music and Drama Festival (2015)

#### **Skills, Activities and Interests**

<u>Technical Skills:</u> Proficiency in Microsoft Word, Powerpoint, Excel, Wix, Social Media platforms <u>Volunteering:</u> 2009-2016 senior assistant at NCT Little Monkeys Parent and Toddler Group <u>Interests:</u> Writing, Dancing, Theatre, Literature, Feminism, Equality, Speech and Debating