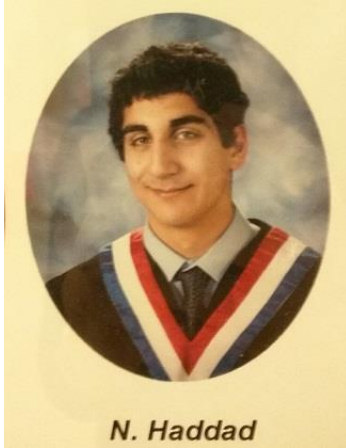


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Where did you go for university and what did you study?

I studied for two years at the University of Toronto (in film and writing) and then enrolled at King's College in Halifax, Nova Scotia, where I graduated with a degree in journalism (BJH) with a specialization in radio and investigative journalism.

What did you do after graduation from university? Graduate school or full time work? Where are you now?

The last part of my degree was an internship, which I chose to do at the newspaper agency called L'Orient-le Jour in Beirut, Lebanon. I chose to continue this internship unpaid for a few months, because I found the experience rich and invaluable.

I came back to Canada and was confronted with the job market. I knew from my classmates at university that it would take about 6 months to a year to look for full time employment. First, I tried to be a freelance journalist, but to live in the city, I needed something more stable.

I took on many jobs. In 2 years, I was an animator and programming director at CHOQ-FM 105.1, Director of Operations at United Athletics, which

is a boxing school founded by a friend; and an Agent of Promotion in the record industry.

The radio and the print media did not offer much opportunity. I decided that I wanted to try the world of TV. In 2016, I accepted a position as an editor for Pelmorex, the company that owns The Weather Network, MétéoMédia, and a few other channels. In a few months, I moved from writing to production. I met this challenge with enthusiasm. After a few months, I was given the task of producer of the evening program.

Do you have a favorite memory or story about your time at LFT that you would like to share with us?

Let's say I've been spoiled of many good times at the lycée. I'll never forget the friends and teachers I've met. Many of my former friends are no longer in Toronto, but we try our best to keep in touch.

What advice would you give to students who are about to graduate from LFT ?

Avoid the path that seems most obvious. You will not gain much.

