

# Matt Wright

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## SUMMARY

I'm a recent MFA graduate with novel writing, media writing, screenwriting, and editing experience. I work well teams and collaboration on screenwriting projects. I am also comfortable using tools like Microsoft Office, Scrivener, and Final Draft in the writing process.

## EDUCATION & CERTIFICATION

**Aug. 2020 – July 2021**      **Western Colorado University | Publishing MA**

- Thesis Project: Reissue of *From the Earth to the Moon and Round the Moon* by Jules Verne | Advised by Kevin J. Anderson, MA

**July 2018 – July 2020**      **Western Colorado University | Genre Fiction MFA**

- Out-of-Concentration Course: Screenwriting Genre
- Thesis: *Breaking Colossus* | SF/Space Opera Novel | Advised by Dr. Candace Nadon, PhD

**Aug. 2013 – May 2017**      **Dixie State University | English BA, Creative Writing Emphasis**

- Thesis: "Out of the Nursery and into Mordor: Making a Case for the Fantasy Genre as Literature" | Advised by Dr. Ami Comeford, PhD

## PUBLIC READINGS

**July 2020**      **MFA Thesis Reading: *Breaking Colossus* | Western Colorado University**

**April 2017**      **Senior Thesis Public Lecture: "Out of the Nursery and into Mordor: Making a Case for the Fantasy Genre as Literature" | Dixie State University, St. George, UT**

## CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

**July 2020**      **MFA Craft Talk: "The Relationship Equation" | Western Colorado University**

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & DEVELOPMENT

**Mar. 2021**      **Online Course | Mark Dawson's Self-Publishing Formula**

**Sept. 2020**      **Online Course | Shonda Rhimes Masterclass**

**Feb. 2019 - Present**      **Superstars Writing Seminars | Alumni | Gunnison, CO**

**June 2017**      **Uncle Orson's Writing Class | Provo, UT**

**April 2017**      **Online Course | David Farland's Story Puzzle & Writing Mastery**

**Nov. 2017**      **David Farland's Adv. Intensive Writing Workshop | St. George, UT**

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

### July 2020 – Present **BOLDRUSH! | Intellectual Property Designer**

- Completing any contract writing projects given to me

### Dec 2020 – Mar. 2021 **Dirty Work Media LLC | Screenwriter Intern**

- I developed and researched ideas for original documentary episodes.
- Crafted probing questions for contributors to the documentary.
- Drew up paper edits for interviews to be used in the documentary editing process.
- Wove together visual elements in scenes with plot and dialogue.
- Created an initial framework, or treatment, for a documentary script.
- Met with production executives to pitch ideas for the documentary.

### Sept. 2020 – Dec. 2020 **Income School | Content Creator**

- Produce publishable, SEO-ready copy in the form of blog posts on diverse topics for websites.

### July 2013 – Sept. 2020 **CCSi | Researcher & Volunteer Editor**

- I developed, edited, and revised materials such as taxi fleet-specific rules and instructions to be accessed by employees and management.

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

### Aug. 2020 – Jul. 2021 **Western Colorado University | Editor**

- Edited fantasy/sci-fi anthology *Unmasked: Stories of Risk and Revelation*.

### Oct. 2020 **University of Chicago | Contributing Writer**

- I wrote two original 3,000-word documents for the Exoterra Imagination Lab RPG.

### Jan. 2017 – May 2017 **Dixie State University | Fiction Editor**

- Edited fiction short stories for DSU's literary journal, *The Southern Quill* Iss. 57.

## ADDITIONAL SKILLS

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| ▪ Microsoft Office | ▪ Scrivener      | ▪ Google Docs |
| ▪ WordPress        | ▪ Final Draft 11 | ▪ 80 WPM      |

## PROFESSIONAL & ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

### Nov. 2016 – Present **International English Honor Society | Member**

## LANGUAGES

Spanish | Conversational, Reading & Writing Knowledge

## VOLUNTEER WORK

### Oct. 2008 – Nov. 2010 **Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints | Missionary**

- Community service every week.
- Leadership and zone leader over 14 missionaries.
- Weekly proselytizing in English and Spanish.
- Teaching free community ESL classes.