



# EDWARD MASON

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## Summary

I am a passionate undergraduate Geography student, eager to learn more about the world and its complexities. As a Christian, I am also interested in understanding better how my faith contributes to an understanding of my studies, and of the world more broadly.

## Education

### ***Bachelor of Science, Geography | University of Birmingham | 2024-***

First year average: 67%.

I have further developed my writing and critical thinking and reading skills whilst at university. I have also learnt how to use GIS software (QGIS), and program in R.

Activities and societies: Course rep (First year), German (A1), Christian Union, University Music Wind Band

### ***A-level, Geography Mathematics, Physics | Peter Symonds College | 2021-2023***

Achieved grades A, B, C.

Activities and societies: First Aid training, Christian Union

## **Extended Project Qualification | Peter Symonds College | 2022-2023**

Project title "How far did the privatisation of British Rail improve fares, comfort and punctuality on the rail network in the United Kingdom, compared to the 1980s?". Achieved grade A.

## **GCSEs | Bishop Challoner Catholic Secondary School | 2016-2021**

Subjects and grades achieved: Mathematics (9), English Language (7), English Literature (7), Religious Studies (9), Biology (8), Chemistry (8), Physics (8), Geography (7), Spanish (7), Music (9), FSMQ Additional Mathematics (C).

Activities and societies: DofE Bronze (2020), Deputy Head Boy (2020-21), School Wind Band, School productions (Tech team), Editor of student-run school newspaper

## **Experience**

### **St Mary's Church, Basingstoke**

Gap Year Trainee | Sep 2023 – Sep 2024

As a Gap Year Trainee, I was involved in all aspects of church life. I helped with youth and children's work, helped to manage tech (audio and visuals), church administration. I also attended theological training one day a week in Oxford. I gained confidence in public speaking and grew my writing and time management skills. Also grew in my reading skills and deepened my theological understanding.

Cleaner | Oct 2021 – Aug 2023

I worked part-time cleaning the church buildings during my time at sixth form.

## **Awards and Acknowledgements**

**Grade 8, Flute | 2023**

**Grade 6, Piano | 2022**



***Bronze Certificate, Duke of Edinburgh Award | 2020***

***Editor, Student-run school newspaper | 2018-2020***

Ran the student-led school newspaper for several years, developing leadership, writing and editing skills. Published some breaking school stories during my time.