

ALUMNI PROFILE

Salem Class
of 2006



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Favorite Radio Format: Currently, National Public Radio, though I was always a fan of format when I was on radio.

Favorite Artist: It's a three-way tie between Florence + The Machine, anything Jenny Lewis, and Regina Spektor (the latter two I discovered at WSDP).

Favorite Song: "Cosmic Love" by Florence + The Machine.

Favorite Movie: Drop Dead Gorgeous

Favorite TV Show: Freaks and Geeks, The Wire

Favorite Book: His Dark Materials trilogy by Philip Pullman.

Hobbies: Cooking, working out, traveling, and being outdoors.

Where has life taken you since you left WSDP?

I completed Eastern Michigan University's Coordinated Program in Dietetics and received a bachelor's degree and university honors. I passed my registration exam this summer, and now work as a Registered Dietitian at Health Emergency Lifeline Programs (HELP) in Detroit. I assess the nutrition profile of low-income adults affected by certain chronic medical conditions and provide medical nutrition therapy based on each individual's needs. At the basic level, I try to help clients figure out where they can make dietary improvements to improve their overall health. I also volunteer to teach Cooking Matters classes to underserved groups throughout Wayne County. This is a great program that empowers adults to move away from convenience foods and begin to save money and improve health by cooking meals at home.

What is your favorite memory of your time at the station?

I have so many WSDP memories that are important to me. I love all of the days working after school on Newsfile at 5:30 or spending lunch break with friends in the staff room. I especially loved the Battle of the Bands that WSDP put on in 2005 or 2006. We had a great response for this event and it was fun to see it all come together.

Why was being involved at WSDP important for you?

As former assistant/music director, I was able to develop leadership experience early on whether it was networking or managing my music staff. In 9th grade, I remember being terrified to talk to strangers for my Newsfile stories. By the end of my radio career in 12th grade, I was confidently talking to promotional reps from record companies every week! Radio was my first ever "professional" experience, and it was very helpful to develop those skills early.

What advice would you give to our current students?

Make sure you get to know everyone on staff—some of my greatest friendships were formed at radio. Always put forth 100% good work... you won't get a grade or a paycheck for your hard work, but your efforts will pay off in one way or another. At minimum, you will be able to "wow" colleges and future employers.