# Lillian (Lily) Torello

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#### **EDUCATION & ACHIEVEMENTS**

#### James Madison University, Honors College

Harrisonburg, VA

BBA Marketing with Concentrations in Digital Marketing & European Business

Expected Graduation: May 2026

Global Supply Chain Management & Honors Interdisciplinary Studies Minors

- Named a Top Marketing Student (3.8 GPA), Spring 2023 & Spring 2024
- Beta Gamma Sigma Initiate (Business Honor Society, Top 7% of third-year business majors invited to join)
- Delta Mu Sigma Initiate (Digital Marketing Honor Society)
- Workshop Digital's Outstanding Digital Marketing Student Award Recipient, Spring 2025
- Abroad studies at the University of Edinburgh & University of St. Andrews (Scotland, Summer 2023; general education) and the University of Antwerp (Belgium, Fall 2024: intensive, integrative business plan curriculum)

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### ICF Next

Communications Specialist Intern

- Both natively and with Brandwatch software, delivered 3 social listening reports across TikTok, X, LinkedIn, Instagram, and Facebook for public health clients including CDC DDT, Rise Homes, ChristianaCare, and Virtua Health.
- Built custom Boolean queries in Brandwatch Listen and organized content libraries in Brandwatch Publish to support performance tracking and campaign compliance.
- Co-authored a 23-page social media strategy for Rise Homes with original KPI development, hashtag/cadence research, and competitive benchmarking.
- Wrote, edited, and proofed 75+ pieces of content for notable, large-scale organizations like the CDC, including evergreen graphics and platform-specific copy.
- Conducted competitive analysis and social audit for federal clients, identifying gaps and informing positioning strategy.
- Authored 2 federal case studies/proof points documents used in new business bids and proposals.
- Evaluated 8 alternative tools for social media management/social listening; booked demos and presented findings to senior leaders to support executive budget decisions.
- Conducted an AI usage study through 5 cross-team interviews; presented internal statistics, insights, and strategic recommendations on AI adoption for my team's specific workflows.
- Shadowed DCPC paid media setup; completed certifications in Instagram, Facebook, Google Ads, Excel 2025, and Excel for Project Management.

#### JMU Marketing Department - Research Subdivision

Harrisonburg, VA *January* 2025-Present

Student Researcher

Beta testing an AI-powered consumer/market research platform under Dr. Janna Parker; qualitative interviews and analysis

- Conducting consumer behavior research; ideating questions, compiling and analyzing data, reading and editing literature
- scratch pad. Advertising Agency

Harrisonburg, VA August 2023-Present

Media Director & Agency Scribbler

- Facilitates social media and recruitment for JMU's student-run advertising agency; see @scratchpadjmu on Instagram
- Given private case of a large-scale company to develop a creative advertising campaign and strategy over the year, while implementing the given company's goals and conducting our own market research and analyzing our produced data
- Competes in the National Student Advertising Competition of the AAF (And placed 3rd in our district this past year!)

Barstool Sports - ItGirl
Remote

Viceroy/Account Manager

August 2023-Present

- Co-administrator of @ItGirl (previously @Chicks) Barstool-affiliated Instagram, TikTok, and X accounts
- Creates graphics and other engaging posts that have led to Instagram follower count surpassing 11k
- Understands and appropriately implements brand identity, while utilizing Meta performance data to drive content decisions
- Consistently and effectively communicates with, and follows directions, of Barstool HQ liaison

#### Delta Delta, Gamma Tau Chapter

Harrisonburg, VA

PR Committee Member

July 2024 -Present

- Aids in the digital communication between Tri Delta and the campus population, shareable media creation for 300 members

#### JMU Center for Global Engagement

Antwerp, Belgium

Study Abroad Student Assistant

September 2024-December 2024

- One of two student assistants to the program coordinator during the JMU Semester in Antwerp, Belgium program
- Organized students on excursions, assisted in logistics planning, supported struggling students and built cohort community

MINT Showroom

New York, NY

Market Week Intern

February 2025

- Supported sales representatives by pulling and presenting collections to buyers, assisting with model styling

- Learned wholesale buying fundamentals by reviewing line sheets and observing how minor and major retailers select products based on trends and pricing
- Welcomed buyers, managed showroom organization, and merchandised products to enhance the buying experience

Chef Paul Barron, LLC.

Madison, CT

Chef's Assistant & Media Assistant

June 2021-December 2024

- Ensures fine-dining experiences from 2-150+ attendees throughout MA, CT, and NY; including the NYC French Consulate
- Well-versed in food preparation, party catering, food running, and upscale event management; problem-solving/client mngmt
- Creates video and photo content for @chefpaulbarron social media accounts and website, growing IG to over 10k followers

#### JMU Student-Athlete Services

Teaching Assistant

Harrisonburg, VA

Tutor September 2023-May2024

- Tutored JMU student athletes in a variety of subjects, but most prominently, COB 204 Computer Information Systems

Badgley Mischka Madison, CT

New York Fashion Week Production Team Member

February 2024

- Preparation and execution of Badgley Mischka's Fall 2024 Collection Show as part of NYFW: The Shows,
- Organizing looks, checking in guests, and other miscellaneous tasks to assist the show's producer and Badgley Mischka's VP of
- Communications and Marketing

# JMU Religion & Philosophy Department

Harrisonburg, VA

August 2023-December 2023

- Assistant to James Madison University's Academic Unit Head of Religion
- Communicates with students, scribes class notes, grades assignments, and edits audio transcription of class notes in preparation for publication

## International Union of Operating Engineers Local 478

Hamden, CT

Administrative Assistant, Copy Editor, Event Photographer

June 2019 - August 2024

- Fulfills media-based member outreach duties; mass mailings, event programs, email blasts, social media, newsletter writing, web re-design to better UX and internal performance, photographs events including endorsement events with Gov. Lamont

#### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Foundational Course Certificates (Completed and in the works): Excel, SQL, Bloomberg Market Concepts, SEO, PR, Illustrator, Photoshop, Salesforce, Hubspot Digital Marketing, Brand Design, Storytelling for Advertising Campaigns, Graphic Design Layout and Composition, Writing Ad Copy, Market Research: Qualitative, CITI Training. Relevant Coursework: Business Analytics I & II, Computer Information Systems, Integrated Marketing Communications, Consumer Behavior, Professional Selling, International Logistics, European Business Integration, Integrative Business: Management, Marketing, Finance, and Operations taken concurrently. Dual Citizen in U.S. and Ireland, therefore able to work in the U.S., U.K., and E.U.