

Utah State University Journalism Alumni Takes Utah By Storm

Bailee Woolstenhulme is a woman who is truly passionate about her work, whether that be by working with Utah Farm Bureau Federation or Utah Department of Agriculture.

Woolstenhulme graduated from the Utah State University Journalism department in 2016, with a bachelor's degree in Agriculture Communication and Journalism degree.

Woolstenhulme recently started her job at Utah Department of Agriculture as their public information officer (PIO). Some of her duties include media pitches, press releases, media interviews and working directly with the governor office.



“Any of my editing classes and broadcast journalism classes, I have to do a lot of media interviews on camera and those classes helped me so much in being prepared.” Said Woolstenhulme about how much JCOM classes prepared her for the position she is in.

Just in the first couple of months in her PIO position, she was already putting to the test everything she learned from the JCOM department. She was tasked by the governor's office to put together a press conference on a farm to talk about the drought that was happening in Utah.

Her years at USU included an internship with Utah Farm Bureau Federation as a communication intern. Not only did this give her critical real world experience, she says “the connections I made during that experience helped me get a job there later on.”

Woolstenhulme says, “I can’t speak enough about how important making connections, networking and befriending people is.” This is one of her biggest pieces of advice to college students.

Woolstenhulme loved her time at USU and wants to encourage students to make connections in their fields and to get out there as much as they can.