

NUTV is nominating Haaris Qureshi for his work for NUTV over the past four years. In that time, Haaris has sat as NUTV's Head of Production (2016-2017) and currently sits as its Communications Manager. Haaris is responsible for NUTV joining NaSTA and allowing NUTV to grow into a recognised student TV station.

His dedication to student television continues to inspire not only those involved in NUTV but also within other branches of student media at Newcastle University, The Courier and NSR. Members have cited Haaris to be one of the reasons they have become so passionate about NUTV and developing ambitions to go into broadcast as a career.

Not only does Haaris consistently go above and beyond in filming/presenting/editing/producing content for NUTV, but he also makes time to host workshops for new members so that they can become more involved in the station. Over the past year he has continued to do this whilst being based over 100 miles away from Newcastle University, in Bradford. Despite taking time out academically due to health reasons, Haaris has continued to show personal investment and commitment to the station, executive producing our flagship music show Coffee House Sessions (which one this year's NUSU's Media Award for Show of the Year, and with Haaris himself winning his second Producer of the Year Award), organising, leading and inspiring the team to film, edit and release an episode every week, the only NUTV show to maintain that frequency. In addition many of the crew working on Coffee House Sessions this year have gone from having very little experience working in student TV to becoming confident enough to successfully run for committee positions in NUTV, both this year and for the next.

In addition to executive producing Coffee House Sessions, Haaris has continued to advise, instruct and help produce in the production of other shows, and has frequently travelled up to Newcastle, on his own money, to be able to physically help out with larger scale live broadcasts, such as our Fight Night coverage, our coverage of the annual NUSU Celebrating Success Awards and indeed producing the People's Choice Awards this year – Haaris dedicates a lot of time before coming up helping with the pre-production before arriving in Newcastle and continuing to work full days to help the broadcast run as smoothly as possible.

Haaris has been paramount to the growth and success of NUTV over the past four years and we are confident that with his continued participation it will continue to grow in years to come. Haaris' dedication to NUTV, NaSTA and student television exceeds expectations, clocking in a lot of long hours and effort, and therefore we believe that he is absolutely deserving for the Un-Sung Hero Award.