

## Lucy - Weather forecaster and presenter at Sky News



### How I got here

After taking A Levels in geography, art and general studies I studied geography and earth sciences for three years at Brunel University, West London. As part of my BSc degree course I took a module called applied geography in which I undertook work experience at the Press Association weather centre in London. I wrote press releases for both radio and newspaper in this placement and was pleased to accept a permanent position there when I had completed my degree. I received in-house training in meteorology and four years experience after which I joined Sky News in 2006.

### What my job entails

My main responsibility is presenting complex weather information in a succinct and easy to understand way for TV. Using the meteorological data from satellite and weather sensors, I then present three minutes of this at the end of the news bulletin. Tight deadlines, clear presentation and working with the small team at Sky are the key aspects of my job.

### How I use my geographical skills

A strong physical geographic understanding is required to understand the weather information. Specialising in Meteorology, my expertise lies in interpreting local and global weather systems and explaining this in 'plain english' to a given audience. I use the 'soft' skills, such as clear communication, and team work to complete the role.

### What I love about geography

I love the changing patterns of geography; no day is ever the same and geography keeps me on my toes. In the future I hope to work in Australia or the US where their more dramatic weather conditions will offer further challenges.

