CASSIDY GROM

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Experience

Dec. 2019 - Present

Developer & Designer

NJ.com - Woodbridge, NJ

- Use HTML, CSS and Javascript to take stories from concept to wireframes to publication
- Utilize various JS packages to create interactive news apps
- Write viability reports for projects to communicate needs and timeline
- Create cost-saving, custom templates for the newsroom
- Write code for long-form articles and design social media assets
- Direct illustrators, videographers, photographers and reporters to create polished finished projects
- Construct backend technologies and train coworkers on how to use them

June 2018 - Dec. 2019

Reporter

NJ.com — Woodbridge, NJ

- Covered breaking news and local beats, Union and Middlesex counties
- Pitched and executed enterprise projects, including one about young nuns
- Organized "Best Downtown" live reveal for Facebook Live

Sept. 2017 - Dec. 2017

Digital Intern

New York Daily News — New York, NY

- Researched and synthesized public documents
- Wrote over 50 articles for the national desk covering crime, news and religion
- Assisted on large breaking news stories, such as the Sutherland Springs Church shooting

May 2017 - Aug. 2017

HSPA Eugene S. Pulliam Reporting Intern

Chronicle-Tribune (Marion, IN) & Huntington Herald-Press (Huntington, IN)

- Met daily deadlines covering education, agriculture, business and government
- Designed front-page and election infographics

May 2016 - May 2017

Co-editor-in-chief

Taylor University Echo — Upland, IN

- Led over 30 staff members in weekly design meetings and production nights
- Reformed university censorship policies
- Assigned and edited over 300 articles covering finance, news, and features

Education

Nov. 2019 - May 2020

Rutgers Coding Bootcamp

Somerset, NJ — Certificate in full stack web development

Aug. 2014 - May 2018

Taylor University

Upland, IN — Bachelor of Arts in journalism, studies in graphic design, Honors Guild member

Aug. 2017 - Dec. 2017

McCandlish Phillips Journalism Institute

New York, NY —Studies in entrepreneurial journalism

Skills

HTML/CSS
Javascript
Express
React
Agraphic design
User experience
Adobe Suite
Jquery
Event planning
AP style

Awards

2020 - Online News Association design finalist

2019 - NJPA Robert P. Kelly award for first-year journalists

2019 - Micheal Cromartie Forum fellow

2018 - SPJ Robert D.G. Lewis First Amendment award