

# Connor D. Sears

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## Experience

### SpecComm International | Raleigh, N.C.

#### *Copy editor (April 2015–present)*

- Copy edited articles for six different print publications, using both AP style and publication-specific style guides
- Worked extensively in Adobe InDesign while making edits to both type and layout
- Edited B2B and consumer titles

### Oryx Advertising Co. | Doha, Qatar

#### *Editorial intern (Jan.–March 2014)*

- Wrote full-length features and shorter blurbs for various monthly and bimonthly magazines published by Oryx, including *Qatar Today* (news and business), *T Qatar* (life and style) and *Campus* (student life)
- Edited page drafts for style, grammar and spelling

### Only Single Player (onlysp.com)

#### *Contributing writer (June–Dec. 2013)*

- Wrote content including news briefs, editorials and interviews relevant to the video game community for daily publishing
- Worked regularly with WordPress website backend

### Cityview | Knoxville, Tenn.

#### *Editorial intern (June–Sept. 2012)*

- Responsibilities included research, copy editing, performing and transcribing interviews, and writing sidebars and full articles

### North by Northwestern (online magazine) | Evanston, Ill.

#### *Assistant managing editor/Copy chief (Sept. 2012–March 2013, Sept.–Dec. 2013)*

- Edited first drafts of North by Northwestern articles for style, coherence, voice and quality
- Responsible for the recruitment, training and scheduling of new and returning copy editors
- Maintained accuracy, readability and AP style of various articles posted to the North by Northwestern website

#### *News co-editor (March–June 2013)*

- Responsible for keeping up with campus news and maintaining a robust news section for North by Northwestern
- Managed pool of news writers by assigning stories and editing drafts for clarity, brevity, accuracy and style

### North by Northwestern (print magazine) | Evanston, Ill.

#### *Designer (Sept.–Dec. 2012)*

- Designed layout and placed text and art for assigned pages, keeping with *North by Northwestern* style

### Freelance writing

- Reported and wrote articles for online and print publications, including HighDefDigest.com (June 2015–present) GameNGuide.com (Aug.–Dec. 2014), Polygon.com (May 2014) and *Cityview* magazine (June–Aug. 2013)

## Education

### Northwestern University | Evanston, Ill.

- Class of 2014
- BS in Journalism with minors in European History and Classical Studies

## Skills

AP and Chicago styles	Django, WordPress and Adobe DPS publishing systems
Microsoft Office	HTML, CSS, Javascript, jQuery
Adobe Creative Suite	Basic knowledge of Arabic and German

## Positions

### Communications Residential College | Evanston, Ill.

#### *Alumni chair (Sept. 2011–June 2013)*

- Created new position on residential college board tasked with building and managing an alumni network for the Communications Residential College

### Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia fraternity, Iota Chapter | Evanston, Ill.

#### *PR chair (March–Dec. 2013)*

- Managed social media and public image for the Iota Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia at Northwestern University