

Connor D. Sears

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Experience

Freelance writing

- Reported and wrote articles for online and print publications, including GameNGuide.com (Aug.–Dec. 2014), Polygon.com (Feb.–April 2014) and Cityview magazine (June–Aug. 2013)

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 drafts and folios 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 extensively with WordPress website backend

Cityview (print magazine) | Knoxville, Tenn.

Editorial intern (June–Sept. 2012)

- Responsibilities included researching for articles, copy editing final drafts of pages, 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

Writer/Copy editor (Oct. 2011–May 2012)

North by Northwestern (print magazine)

Designer (Sept.–Dec. 2012)

- Brainstormed art ideas for individual stories with entire design team
- Designed layout and placed text and art for assigned pages, keeping with *North by Northwestern* style

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