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Graphics and Development
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Employment

Daily Monitor - Kampala, Uganda

HIV Reporting Intern May - June 2016

Traveled within Uganda to report on HIV medication shortages and issues with patient records.

Indiana Daily Student

Investigative Reporter January - Present

Scraped and analyzed data on the investigative desk. Made interactive graphics. Worked on stories about health care, campus crime and State campaign finance.

Digital Director August - December 2015

Managed editors working for the newly expanded digital desk, directed web projects, developed in-house tools, supervised social media and tracked site analytics.

Digital Editor January - May 2015

Produced interactive graphics, websites and videos. Created social media specific content to increase site traffic. Developed a digital style guide. Documented digital workflow and CMS work.

Photographer January 2014 - Present

Made news photos and photo illustrations

Society for News Design

Page Layout Designer June 2015 - Present

Designed pages for the 36th and 37th Annual Best of News Design book. Edited winning pages from SND37 Syracuse.

Indiana University Student Television

Front end developer September - December 2014

Setup a new domain, installed wordpress and migrated content from the previous site. Trained the staff on how to post new content and to alter the theme's options.

Education

Indiana University, Bloomington

Expected graduation in May 2017

Bachelor of Arts in Journalism

Concentration in Informatics

GPA 3.655

Organizations

Society for News Design

President of Indiana University Chapter in 2016

Designer for SND36 and SND37 print edition

Investigative Reporters and Editors

Attended NICAR 2016 and went to the ArcGIS mapping bootcamp

Honors and Awards

Columbia Scholastic Press Association

Gold Crown 1st place photo illustration

Indiana Collegiate Press Association

Best overall website 2015

2nd place photo essay 2015

Skills

Adobe Creative Suite

Proficient in Illustrator, Photoshop, and InDesign
Familiar with Premiere, After Effects and Audition

Development and Analysis

Proficient in HTML, CSS, javascript/jQuery, d3, responsive design, web scraping, python, pandas, git, excel, SQL, leaflet, handlebars, tabletop
Familiar with ArcGIS, Django, OpenRefine, PDF to text conversion and analysis

Multimedia

Proficient in DSLR photography and videography
Familiar with studio audio recording and animation