Aadit Tambe

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Education

University of Maryland
Master's in Journalism
Data Journalism focus
Anticipated: May 2022 | GPA: 3.8
University of Iowa
B.A. Journalism, German minor
May 2020 | GPA: 3.6

Skills

Data Analysis:
Python, pandas, SQL, R, Excel, Google Sheets, OpenRefine
News Gathering:
Public records negotiation, web scraping, Tabula, cron jobs, shell scripting, GitHub Actions
Design + Visualization:
D3, Illustrator, InDesign, Leaflet, Photoshop, ai2html, QGIS, Mapbox, Flourish, Datawrapper
Web Development:
HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Node.js, jQuery, Bootstrap
Others:
Command line, git version control, AP Style, breaking news reporting, Premiere Pro, After Effects, SEO, newsletter strategy

Awards + Honors

> Howard fellow – 2021
> Associated Collegiate Press
– 2020, 2019 *Best Interactive Graphic* finalist
– 2020 *Best Use of Social Media*
– 2020 *Online Pacemaker* finalist
– 2020 *Newspaper Pacemaker*
> Iowa Newspaper Association
– 2020, 2019 *Best Website*
– *2020 Newspaper of the Year*
> Great Plains Awards
– 2020, 2019 *Best Website*
> Member, IRE

Experience

Fellow, Data Reporter | *Howard Center for Investigative Journalism*
January 2021 – Present
Run advanced data analyses in R and Python to develop promising leads and story ideas. File public records requests to gather data. Script, design and program graphics to supplement storytelling.

Data and Graphics Reporter | *Capital News Service*
August 2021 – December 2021
Designed graphics and programmed interactive maps and visualizations. Built Python web scrapers to automate data collection. Created news apps and long-form web presentations to deliver data-driven stories in engaging ways.

Data Graphics Intern | *NBC News*
June 2021 – August 2021
Pitched, reported and wrote data-driven stories. Analyzed data sets to develop story ideas. Built engaging charts, maps and graphics for stories to explain the news visually.

Graduate Assistant | *Office of Strategic Communications, U-Md.*
August 2020 – June 2021
Identified, reported and wrote stories in innovative and narrative styles for Maryland Today, the university's daily information website. Contributed news stories and feature profiles to Terp, a tri-annual, award-winning alumni magazine.

Managing Digital Editor | *The Daily Iowan*
August 2019 – May 2020
Led a team of 10 digital producers to monitor a website with a daily audience of 5,000 visitors, managed social media platforms to increase Facebook engagement by 21 percent and Twitter engagement by 10 percent. Redesigned the DI's website, and pushed for a digital-first mindset in the newsroom.

Student Ambassador | *UI School of Journalism and Mass Comm.*
August 2018 – May 2020
Conducted tours of the journalism school and talk to prospective students about studying journalism. Redesigned the Iowa Summer Journalism Workshop website.

Assistant Digital Editor, Digital Producer, Reporter | *The Daily Iowan*
October 2017 – May 2019
Crafted data visualization projects using HTML, CSS and JavaScript. Curated a weekly politics newsletter leading up to the 2020 Iowa caucuses. Started an award-winning weekly news podcast.