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EDUCATION

UC Berkeley Graduate School of Journalism   **Berkeley, California**
Master of Journalism, Data Journalism and Multimedia   AUG 2021 – MAY 2023
Graduate Certificate in Applied Data Science   SEP 2021 – DEC 2022

Nanjing University   **Nanjing, China**
Bachelor of Arts, English Language and Literature, Minor in Journalism   SEP 2016 – JUL 2020

SKILLS

• **Programming**: HTML, CSS, Javascript, Python, R, React, D3.js, Svelte
• **Visualization**: Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Lightroom, Adobe InDesign, Datawrapper, Flourish, Tableau, Figma, Google Spreadsheet, Mapbox
• **Languages**: Mandarin, English

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Mission Local (California Local News Fellowship)   **San Francisco, California**
Data reporter   SEP 2023 – PRESENT
• Covered the March and November 2024 elections in San Francisco, including:
    • Created Mission Local's election dashboard
    • Wrote python notebook to monitor campaign finance and ethics filings
    • Designed the election coverage print edition in traditional Chinese and Spanish
    • Wrote campaign dispatches for a mayoral candidate and covered a supervisor district race
• Reported, wrote, designed, and coded interactive enterprise stories on local issues
• Improved data and graphics style at the newsroom by updating the standardized data style guide
• Made static charts and maps for stories across the newsroom

Investigative Reporting Program   **Berkeley, California**
Local news reporter   JUN 2023 – AUG 2023
• Reporting and writing for Oakland North and Richmond Confidential, two hyperlocal news sites in the East Bay

San Francisco Chronicle   **San Francisco, California**
Digital Design Intern   JUN 2022 – AUG 2022
• Coded interactive projects for the newsroom using React, Javascript, CSS, Git
• Customized, debugged and improved existing interactive story templates
• Designed projects using InDesign and Adobe Illustrator for the newsroom's enterprise stories

Beijing Data Visualization Technology Ltd.   **Beijing, China**
Data Visualization Intern   MAR 2021 – JUN 2021
• Wrote scripts for interactive data visualization projects
• Collected, cleaned, and analyzed data for ongoing projects in the newsroom

Southern Metropolis Weekly   **Nanjing, China**
Investigative Reporting Intern   FEB – SEP 2019
• Co-wrote and reported an investigative story about a pyramid scheme and its female victims

NJU Factcheck (Journalism & Communication School, Nanjing University)   **Nanjing, China**
Editor for Data Visualization   MAR 2019 – JUN 2020
• Produced infographics for the editorial division on issues such as swine fever and Chinese politics
• Co-produced a series of Covid-19 data visualization explainers from January to April 2020 in Wuhan, China

AWARDS

• **Online Journalism Award, 2024, General Excellence for Micro Newsrooms (**Contributed to Mission Local's election coverage that won this award and bylined one of the five submitted entries)
• **California Journalism Awards, 2024, First Place for Informational Graphics** (For a variety of graphics detailing the 2024 San Francisco election, co-winning with two other data reporters at Mission Local)