

ALIA WILHELM

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EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Class of 2014
Medill School of Journalism

Bachelor of Science in Journalism, June 2014

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology, June 2014

Magna Cum Laude & Honours in Journalism

American School of Paris High School, Class of 2010

Ranked second in a class of 83 students

WORK EXPERIENCE

Medill Watchdog

Evamston, IL, Spring 2014

Conducted investigative research for the Chicago Tribune

Analyzed police and state health records

Submitted FOIA requests on a daily basis

Digital Media Internship at National Geographic
Washington, D.C., Summer 2013

Worked with a five-person team of photo editors

Critiqued photos during weekly editing sessions

Pulled photos from wire feeds to create slideshows

Chose "Photo of the Day" for site and newsletter

Journalism Residency at The Times,
Johannesburg, South Africa, Spring 2013

Worked closely with multimedia team to create
informative and captivating audio slideshows

Pitched and wrote fifteen stories for print and online

Improved food photography and photojournalism skills

Editorial Internship at MarketWatch,
London, England, Summer 2012

Wrote an in-depth feature and eight articles for the website

Pitched story ideas several times a week

Photographed and interviewed for stories

Live-Tweeted from a conference on social media

Editorial Internship at Time Out Magazine,
Istanbul, Turkey, Summer 2011

Contributed to writing the issue's main feature

Translated articles from Turkish to English

Worked independently on several articles

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Margin Magazine Founder and Editor-in-Chief
May 2012 - June 2014

Created an online magazine for young adults with a
passion for culture and artistic expression

Published a 32-page print zine

Decided content, editing, layout design and artwork

Organized a zine launch for professors and
students at Northwestern's art museum

Found students with strong writing or photography
skills to contribute regularly to zine and website

Edited and wrote articles for the magazine

Northwestern University Spoon Magazine
Photo Editor, Spring 2012 - Spring 2013

Photographed food, including for magazine front cover

Led weekly photo shoots and edited featured photos

North by Northwestern Online Newspaper
Assistant Editor Life & Style, Spring 2012

Lead a group of six writers: assigned articles,
pitched ideas, fact-checked and proofread

Contributed writing and photographs to section

LANGUAGES

English (*Fluent*); Turkish (*Fluent*); French (*Fluent*);
German (*Advanced*); Italian (*Beginner*)

COMPUTER SKILLS

Adobe InDesign, Premiere Pro, Audition, Photoshop,
Lightroom, Aperture, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

INTERESTS

Writing, photography, video, interactive and audio

Traveling; lived in six different countries

Digital and film photography