## **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

Cumulative GPA: 3.89

American School of Paris High School, Class of 2010 Ranked 2nd in a class of 83 students

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Medill Watchdoog
Evanston IL, Spring 2014
Conducted investigate 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, 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, 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, Summer 2011
Contributed to the writing of the issue's main feature
Translated articles from Turkish to English
Worked independently on several articles

#### EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Margin Magazine Founder and Editor-in-Chief
May 2012 - Present
Created an online magazine for young adults with a
passion for culture and artistic expression
Took the initiative to publish a 32-page 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

North by Northwestern Online Newspaper
Assistant Editor Life & Style, Winter & Spring 2012
Lead a group of six writers: assigned articles,
pitched ideas, fact-checked and proofread
Contributed writing and photographs to section
Spent fifteen hours a week editing articles

Northwestern University Spoon Magazine
Photo Editor, Spring 2012 - Spring 2013
Photographed food, inleuding for magazine back cover
Led weekly photo shoots and edited featured photos

# **LANGUAGES**

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

### **COMPUTER SKILLS**

Computer proficient in PC and Mac 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