

ABOUT ME

Experienced journalist and communicator with a background in politics, legislation, data analysis, and deadline-driven production.

Particularly skilled in translating complicated subjects for non-experts.

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EDUCATION

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY
B.A., Communication,

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON
M.S., Communication,
2003

**DATA ANALYSIS AND
VISUALIZATION BOOT
CAMP**

ALAN CHOATE

DATA VISUALIST/WRITER/EDITOR

OBJECTIVE

I seek a position compiling, researching, exploring, and visualizing diverse sets of data in order to answer pressing questions, explain trends and tendencies, and better understand the world.

EXPERIENCE

TAX EXAMINER, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE

(January 2018 — present)

This is an unexpected fork on my career road, but a fruitful one. I've had to learn a new computer system and basically a new language to troubleshoot and fix error-laden tax returns in a high-pressure, high-speed environment.

COPY EDITOR, GATEHOUSE MEDIA

(July 2016 — September 2017)

I designed and proofread news and sports pages in a production house that handles newspaper layout services for publications across the United States.

NEWS EDITOR, KINGMAN DAILY MINER

(July 2012 — July 2016)

I led a team of journalists in planning and executing a daily news report for a print newspaper and companion website. Under my stewardship, the paper won several statewide awards, became a leader in breaking news online, and exponentially increased its social media reach.

CAPABILITIES

Advanced Research • Writing • Editing • Copy Editing • Troubleshooting • Problem Solving • Interviewing • Adobe InDesign • Adobe Photoshop • Python • Pandas • Matplotlib • Excel • D3 • MySQL • HTML • CSS • AP Style • Tableau • Leaflet