# **Carson TerBush**

## **JOURNALIST**

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### **EDUCATION**

Indiana University

August 2019 - May 2023

- ~ BA in Journalism with a Concentration in Graphics Communication
- ~ BS in Informatics with a Cognate in Media
- ~ Minor in Spanish
- ~ 4.0 GPA
- ~ Member of the Hutton Honors College

## **AWARDS**

#### August 2020

~ Third Place, Best Infographic College Media Association Pinnacle Awards

#### May 2020

~ Honorable Mention SPJ College Coronavirus Coverage Awards

#### 2019

~ Four Gold Keys, One Silver Key, Drawing and Illustration Scholastic Art and Writing Awards

#### 2018

~ First Place, Newspaper Front Page JEA/NSPA Design of the Year

## CULTURAL IMMERSION

#### Honduras 2018

- ~ Helped construct houses for a week in Tela, Honduras.
- ~ Gained cross-cultural experience working with locals throughout the trip.
- ~ Designed materials for the IU chapter of Habitat for Humanity.

## REPORTING EXPERIENCE

Indiana Daily Student — Enterprise Reporter

January 2020 - present

- ~ Wrote narrative features and data-driven investigative stories covering university response to COVID-19 pandemic, features of campus individuals and numerous other topics.
- ~ Integrated traditional reporting with graphics and interactive elements, honing skills in data scraping, Google Flourish and synthesizing a wide variety of information into a cohesive package.

Indiana Daily Student — News Reporter

October - December 2019

~ Wrote at least two stories a week on deadline including briefs, hard news stories and long-form features.

Indianapolis Monthly — Editorial Intern

June - August 2020

- ~ Interviewed people in Indianapolis experiencing homelessness to expose effects of pandemic on vulnerable populations.
- ~ Fact-checked articles by cold-calling sources and researching online.

## EDITING & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Indiana Daily Student — Design Editor

January - May 2019, August 2020 - present

- $\sim$  Trained all new staff designers in Adobe software and IDS design style through one-on-one meetings and video tutorials.
- ~ Planned weekly newspaper layouts, coordinated with designers and editors to accomplish all pages on a 24-hour deadline.

HiLite Newsmagazine — Editor in Chief

August 2018 - May 2019

- ~ Led staff of more than 80 people at high school of over 5,000 students.
- ~ Created and presented biweekly lessons to enhance staff members' journalistic knowledge, met daily with editors and reporters to ensure magazine was running smoothly.
- ~ Oversaw all content in monthly print magazine and online articles.
- ~ Staff won a print and online Pacemaker Award under my leadership.

## **GRAPHIC DESIGN EXPERIENCE**

Indiana Daily Student — Designer

October 2019 - present

- ~ Designed over 100 illustrations, infographics and page layouts using Adobe Indesign, Illustrator and Photoshop.
- ~ Created graphic in Illustrator explaining Indiana's COVID-19 reopening plan that generated over 350,000 Twitter impressions.

Ballet Theatre of Carmel Academy — Graphic Designer

August 2018 - May 2019

~ Spearheaded visual ad campaign for biannual ballet performances, creating flyers, advertisements, brochures and merchandise to promote events.

## FREELANCE EXPERIENCE

Upwork — Graphic Design Freelancer

August 2020 - present

- ~ Earned over \$800 designing Kickstarter layouts with Indesign, hand-drawing cover art and copy-editing press releases.
- ~ Communicated directly with clients to plan and complete projects to their satisfaction.

Friends of Hamilton County Parks — Freelancer

August 2019 - present

- ~ Designed multiple forms and documents using Indesign.
- ~ Created an interactive map of parks using Carto and accompanying print version using Illustrator.