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## EXPERIENCE

### Medill Investigative Lab | Reporter

January 2025 - Present | Washington, D.C.

- Report for ProPublica and the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette under journalist/professor Debbie Cenziper
- Tackle long-form investigations on Black Lung disease, coal miners' benefits, generic drugs and FDA inspections
- Identify, research and secure interviews with health experts, former federal staff, victims, advocates, etc.

### The Democracy Group | Marketing Communication Specialist

August 2023 - Present | Remote

- Produce engaging bi-weekly newsletters (avg. 45% open rate) and digital media content on democracy topics
- Research and interview democracy leaders on civic issues like voter rights, global conflict, election certification, misinformation, etc.
- Host, write scripts, conduct interviews, edit audio and help produce the "Democracy's Good News" podcast series that features civic leaders and communities working to strengthen our democracy

### Capitol News Illinois - Medill Illinois News Bureau | Statehouse Reporting Fellow

January 2025 - April 2025 | Springfield, Ill.

- Report on public education issues, including K-12 funding, teacher shortage and career & technical education
- Interview and maintain a network of trusted sources, including Illinois superintendents, teachers and advocates.

### LancasterOnline - LNP Media Group | News Correspondent

February 2024 - August 2024 | Lancaster, Pa.

- Report on school budget, education policy and local news in the Cornwall-Lebanon school district in layman's terms
- Cover school board meetings and interview community leaders, district officials, students, teachers and residents.

### Centre County Report - Penn State University | Anchor, Reporter & Social Media Producer

August 2023 - December 2023 | State College, Pa.

- Deliver and ad-lib live breaking news with accuracy and clarity while communicating with EPs and directors
- Report, produce and edit PKGs, VOSOTs, VOs, readers and teases for breaking news and enterprise stories
- Co-anchor 3 full-hour newscasts; Write broadcast scripts with speed & clarity; Help organize newscast rundowns

### NBCUniversal Local | National Digital Intern

June 2023 - August 2023 | Remote

- Pitch and produce 40+ stories for NBCU, including July 2023's top-performing story with 1.3M views and yielding nearly 2M total page views
- Copyedit 130+ wires with accuracy, clarity and adhering to AP Style and SEO best practices

### WNEP-TV - TEGNA | News Intern/Digital Producer

June 2022 - August 2022 | Scranton, Pa.

- Research, fact-check, produce and distribute breaking news and digital content, adhering to SEO best practices
- Edit reporter stories for grammar, clarity, structure, AP style and optimize the content for digital

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## EDUCATION

### Northwestern University, Chicago (2025)

M.S. in Journalism, specializing in investigative journalism and data reporting

### The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pa. (2023)

B.A. in Broadcast Journalism, Minors in Economics and Business

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## SKILLS

**AP Style** | **Data acquisition, processing and analysis** (SQL, Google Sheets) | **Data visualization** (Flourish) | **Video and audio editing** (Adobe Premiere & Audition, Edius) | **Newsroom production and management** (ENPS, Inception) | **Audience Engagement Strategy** (Mailchimp, Canva, SEO) | **Web development** (HTML, CSS, JavaScript)