Kiara Thomas

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REPORTING EXPERIENCE

Intern, Well and Good | New York, NY

June '22 – Aug. '22

- Pitched, reported, and wrote beauty content for an online wellness magazine with 12.3 million unique visitors
- Assisted editors in building posts, updating the homepage, transcribing interviews, and attending market appointments and cross-department meetings

Intern, Heritage Radio Network | Brooklyn, NY

Feb. '22 – May '22

- Worked up to 15 hours a week producing and editing episodes for the food radio network's show Meat and Three
- Created Instagram posts for a monthly-themed social media campaign

Associate Producer, The Fred Opie Show | Wellesley, MA

Oct. '21 - Aug. '22

- Worked up to 15 hours a week producing and editing podcast episodes for a food studies podcast
- Created social media videos for Instagram and YouTube

Intern, The Indypendent | Greenwich Village, NY

May `20 - Aug. `20"

- Covered the Black Lives Matter protests, Jamaal Bowman's campaign trail, and other trending stories for a social justice newspaper with 200,000 readers, which covers local, statewide, national, and international news
- Conducted interviews with government leaders, organization leaders, and the families of police brutality victims

Editor-in-chief, Black World | Stony Brook, NY

Sept. '18 – May '21

- Recruited members and supervised, moderated, and prepared agendas for weekly E-board and general body meetings for the Black and Latinx publication at Stony Brook University
- Created social media content and events to increase readership and engagement

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Communications Intern, NYC Department of City Planning New York, NY	June '21 – Aug. '21
Assistant, Stony Brook University Advancement Stony Book, NY	Feb. '20 – May '20
Intern, Stony Brook University's Covid-19 Archive Stony Brook, NY	July '20 – Aug. '20
Intern, SBD Digital Media Yonkers, NY	Feb. '20 – July '20

EDUCATION

Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism at CUNY

New York, NY

M.A. Journalism

Dec. 2022

- Concentration: Health & Science | Specialization: Audio Journalism
- Member of NABJ/NAHJ
- Honors: Ida B. Wells Scholarship Recipient

Stony Brook University

Stony Brook, NY

B.S. Journalism, Minor: Africana Studies

May 2021

- Member of the Women's Leadership Council and Building a Better School of Communication and Journalism
- Honors: Edward R. Murrow Award for Excellence in Audio Feature Reporting 2021 Recipient Best Historical Feature from the Fair Media Council 2021 Recipient

SKILLS

Software: Adobe Creative Cloud & Pro

SEO Canva

Microsoft Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel)

Google Drive

Mailchimp