

Maya Cederlund

EDUCATION

Northwestern University, Medill School of Journalism, *Chicago* September 2025 - Present
Master of Science in Journalism, D.C. Medill Investigative Lab

American University, School of Communication, *Washington* May 2025
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism, Minor in Political Science Cumulative GPA: 3.92

JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

Summer News Intern | KCUR 89.3 | Kansas City, Mo. June 2025 - August 2025

- Pitched, reported and produced digital and audio story about local weather phenomenon, the Tonganoxie Split, which was picked up by NPR's nationally-syndicated radio show Here and Now and made the front page of a local paper.
- Authored Fourth of July story that received 24,000 views, covered "No Kings" protest with over 3,000 protestors and turned daily digitals and radio spots about health care, transportation, local government, housing and the arts.

Reporting Fellow | Investigative Reporting Workshop | Washington June 2024 - August 2025

- Authored 11-month investigation in City & State NY about a fatal, police-involved shooting of a 13-year-old and traveled to Utica, N.Y., to conduct interviews about the Karen Buddhist community's response to the incident.
- Contributed to Science magazine investigation that uncovered decades of research misconduct and image manipulation by one of the world's leading Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease scientists, which led to his firing.

DEI and Community Engagement Editor | The Eagle | Washington May 2024 - May 2025

- Co-reported two-year investigation into AU's Title IX office that exposed a loophole in University policy that permitted a professor, who was fired after the article's publication, to pursue a sexual relationship with a former student.
- Wrote Fall 2024 and Spring 2025 staff diversity report and moderated trauma-informed reporting panel.
- Since freshman year, worked as News Staff Reporter, Investigative Reporter and Community Health Beat Reporter.

Production Intern | Rethink Audio | London October 2023 - November 2023

- Strengthened audio journalism and podcast production skills through Boston University London Internship Program.
- Pitched more than seven sources for "The Modern Mann" podcast, edited episodes for "The Retrospectors" podcast and assisted in production for "The Week Unwrapped" and "The Two Matts" podcasts.

Reporting Intern | Colorado Times Recorder | Denver, Colo. June 2023 - August 2023

- Broke news of Rep. Lauren Boebert's fundraiser paid by prominent hosts, like a bipartisan donor with antiracism and antisemitism centers named after him, which was canceled after article's publication.
- Created and ran Instagram account to grow readership with younger audience, including creating graphics and reels to highlight new projects.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- 2025 White House Correspondents' Association Investigative Journalism Scholarship.
- 2024 Society of Professional Journalists Region 2 Mark of Excellence Award in Investigative Reporting.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Chapter Co-President | Asian American Journalists Association | Washington March 2023 - May 2025

- Spearheaded email correspondence with adviser to coordinate chapter interest meeting with more than 20 attendees.
- Collaborated with academic adviser and two peers to create American University's inaugural chapter.

SKILLS

- Adobe Audition, Adobe InDesign, Adobe Illustrator and Descript.