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EXPERIENCE

Health & Environmental Reporting Intern, *Southern Weekly*

Sept. 2020 - May 2021 | Beijing, China

Pitched and wrote investigative reports and feature stories on environment and health, including the growing demand of palliative care for older adults and updates on COVID-19.

Investigated how China's ban on waste imports impacted the global waste trade. It was the week's most popular story with more than 100 thousand views.

Data Journalism Fellow, *Caixin Media*

Feb. 2020 - July 2021 | Beijing, China

Pitched three story ideas every week, produced interactive data stories on human rights issues such as child trafficking in China, as well as how COVID-19 impacted different communities.

Analyzed and created data visualizations for projects using Excel, Google Sheets, Illustrator and Tableau.

Media/PR Team Leader, *China Gathering @ SXSW*

Jan. 2019 - March 2019 | Austin, TX

Integrated Chinese companies such as Alibaba into Austin's signature event South by Southwest.

Wrote press releases, pitched reporters, and coordinated the coverage of more than 20 Chinese and American news outlets following the China Gathering.

News Reporter, *The Daily Texan*

Sept. 2018 - Dec. 2018 | Austin, TX

Pitched three story ideas every week, mainly covered campus events and student affairs topics.

Published 10 articles on the newspaper or online, topics included single-parent students, international health insurance, transfer students and plastic pollution among others.

Digital Content Intern, *The Beijing News*

May 2018 - Aug. 2018 | Beijing, China

Identified story ideas and data sources, examined issues including barriers to education for children with disabilities.

Participated in the production of 30+ videos, many of which attracted more than 100 thousand views.

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

Fall 2021 - Spring 2023 | Berkeley, CA

M.J., Multimedia/Data Journalism, GPA: 4.00

Courses: Health & Environmental Reporting, Coding (Python & HTML), Data Journalism

University of Texas, Austin

Fall 2017 - Fall 2019 | Austin, TX

B.J., Journalism, GPA: 3.91

Courses: Local News Reporting, Elements of Databases, Graphic Design

Sichuan University

Fall 2015 - Spring 2017 | Chengdu, China

B.A., Communication, GPA: 3.72

SKILLS

Data Analysis: Python(Pandas, Beautiful Soup), R(Tidyverse, ggplot), Google Sheets, basic SQL

Development: HTML, CSS, basic JavaScript, Git and Github, Command Line

Design: Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, DataWrapper, Tableau, QGIS, Mapbox, Figma

Video Editing: Adobe Premiere

Languages: Mandarin Chinese, English

HONORS

Unrestricted Endowed Presidential Scholarship, *University of Texas at Austin*

Spring 2019 | Austin, TX

National Merit Scholarship, *Sichuan University*

Fall 2016 | Chengdu, China

Excellent Student at Sichuan University

Fall 2016 | Chengdu, China