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EDUCATION

Northwestern University

Medill School of Journalism, Media,
Integrated Marketing Communications

MS in Journalism

Specialization: Medill Investigative Lab

Chicago, IL | Washington, DC

June 2022

Northwestern University

Medill School of Journalism, Media,
Integrated Marketing Communications

BS in Journalism, Minor in Psychology

GPA: 4.00/4.00

Evanston, IL

June 2021

Honors: Medill Valedictorian Award, Summa Cum Laude, Kappa Tau Alpha Top Scholar Award, Kappa Tau Alpha

Relevant Coursework: Washington Reporting, Medill Investigative Lab, News Reporting: Investigative, Enterprise Reporting with Data, Introduction to Investigative Journalism, Data Management and Information Processing, Media Presentation: Magazine Editing

WORK EXPERIENCE

Medill Investigative Lab & Medill News Service

Investigative Reporter & Business and Technology Reporter

Washington, DC
January 2022 - present

- Co-authored investigation of registered agents for The Washington Post's Pandora Papers series, including database management, web scraping and API handling in Python
- Reported 7 breaking and enterprise news stories for media partners including MarketWatch and UPI

Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine

Remote

American Society of Magazine Editors (ASME) Editorial Intern

June 2021 - September 2021

- Selected as one of 11 students for prestigious ASME internship program, speaker series and journalism training
- Reported seven stories for print magazine and website on personal finance topics
- Assisted with writing, copy-editing and organizational tasks for three monthly issue cycles

Injustice Watch

Remote

Reporting Intern

March 2021 - June 2021

- Developed Python web scraper of jail population and COVID-19 case data from Cook County Sheriff's Office
- Conducted Cook County court system data analysis in R and built visualizations in Datawrapper
- Reported stories on outgoing Cook County Public Defender and the Illinois Biometric Information Privacy Act

Medill Investigative Lab

Remote

Investigative Reporting Intern

June 2020 - December 2020

- Wrote four profiles of COVID-19 victims in nursing homes nationwide for The Washington Post special project
- Conducted research for Washington Post investigation of nursing homes' COVID-19 relief fund usage

North by Northwestern

Evanston, IL | Remote

Print Managing Editor

March 2020 - December 2020

- Oversaw all aspects of the magazine production process, from hiring team of 30+ staffers and leading weekly meetings to fundraising printing costs, for two quarterly magazine cycles
- Adapted production workflow for 64-page print and digital magazine to remote work during COVID-19 pandemic
- Created eight-week developmental workshop program to introduce first-year students to magazine journalism

AWARDS

Winner, Best Student Magazine, Society of Professional Journalists Mark of Excellence Awards, Region 5

2021

Winner, COVID-19 Coverage, Society of Professional Journalists Mark of Excellence Awards, Region 5

2021

Best of Medill Award, Northwestern University, Medill School of Journalism

2021, 2020

First Place, Single Issue of an Ongoing Magazine (Editorial), AEJMC Student Magazine Contest,

2020

Association for Education in Journalism & Mass Communication Magazine Division

SKILLS

Data Analysis and Visualization: Proficient in Python, SQL, R, SPSS, GitHub, QGIS, Tableau, Excel, Datawrapper, Flourish

Computer: Proficient in HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, Bootstrap, Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel), Google Suite