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EDUCATION

- University of Kansas**, William Allen White School of Journalism, *Anticipated May 2028*
Bachelor of Science in Journalism & Mass Communications with concentration in Multimedia Journalism
- University of Kansas**, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, *Anticipated May 2028*
Bachelor of General Studies in Political Science with a concentration in international politics
- Lawrence High School**, Lawrence, Kansas, May 2024
High School Diploma

SCIENTIFIC & LABORATORY EXPERIENCE

- Oregon State University**, Sullivan Lab
Undergraduate Research Fellow, Jan. 2025 - May 2025
- Cleaned and organized a master dataset of over 2.5 million timepoints related to silica cycling and freshwater chemistry
 - Consolidated and standardized water quality data from multiple international sources, including from French, Swedish, Norwegian, and Finnish governments
 - Used Excel to perform large-scale data wrangling and formatting for statistical analysis
 - Contributed to the lab's efforts to understand global river patterns

The University of Kansas, Billings' Lab

- Undergraduate Research Fellow, Jun. 2024 - Jul. 2025*
- Extensively used Adobe Illustrator and Blender to create multiple figures for research papers
 - Created animations of CT-scanned soil cores to visualize pore structure for presentation
 - Analyzed and visualized extremely large datasets using R
 - Developed and made public a database containing reproducible workflows for many lab functions to support open science
 - Redesigned and upgraded the lab's website to a new platform
 - Collaborated with graduate students and faculty on research into carbon cycling and soil biogeochemistry

TECHNICAL & CUSTOMER SUPPORT EXPERIENCE

- Morgan Consulting, LLC** - Lawrence, Kansas
Founder & President, May 2023 - Present
- Provided in-home technology support and consulting for a diverse client base
 - Troubleshooted and repaired hardware and software issues across Windows, macOS, Linux, iOS and Android
 - Gave clear, respectful explanations to clients to make complex concepts accessible
 - Designed and implemented technology solutions, spanning from data recovery and home automation to backup planning and device recommendations

RELEVANT SKILLS

- **Technical:** MacOS, Linux, Windows, Android, Final Cut Pro, Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop, Premiere Pro, Blender, OBS, ImageJ, Docker, Google Earth Engine, GitHub, Xcode
- **Scientific:** Fiji, Dragonfly, Excel, R.
- **Support:** Clear communication, patience, collaborative problem solving, good explainer
- **Other:** Graphic design, video editing, documentation, customer service

JOURNALISM & MEDIA EXPERIENCE

The Budget, Lawrence High School, Lawrence, Kansas

Editor-in-chief, Aug. - May 2024

- Collaborated with an acclaimed adviser to produce award-winning publications
- Worked with [fellow journalists to research](#) and [protest](#) the [implementation](#) district level surveillance software
- [Designed award-winning graphics](#) for multiple publications
- Assisted with software development and contributed to website technology improvements

Kansas Reflector, Topeka, Kansas

Freelance reporter

- [Reported and published story](#) in a statewide nonprofit news outlet covering Kansas
- Collaborated with reporters and editors to exceed professional standards

The Lion's Roar, Lawrence High School, Lawrence, Kansas

Producer, May 2023 - May 2024

- Oversaw editorial content and production of the [school's flagship broadcast](#)
- Reviewed and approved news packages for the [biweekly broadcast](#)
- Produced [original news packages](#) and [multimedia segments](#)
- Created live-stream coverage of [school sporting events](#) and [gave live commentary](#)

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

Target, Lawrence, Kansas

Front of Store Attendant, Tech Consultant Jul. - Dec. 2023

- Gave fast and friendly customer service across returns, checkout, and guest support
- Worked in the technology department assisting guests with various electronics and product knowledge
- Maintained accurate stock and inventory storewide
- Operated registers, processed returns, cleaned store areas, and retrieved carts
- Handled cash, card and check payments as cashier

Dominos, Lawrence, Kansas

Senior Insider, Jun. 2022 - May 2023

- Prepared, cooked, cut and boxed all menu items including hand tossed dough
- Maintained kitchen cleanliness, washed dishes, and monitored food for safety

- Managed a team of insiders and delivery drivers during high volume, fast-paced shifts

NOTABLE JOURNALISTIC WORK

- Initiated and continues to manage an ongoing lawsuit challenging Gaggle's use in USD 497
- Finalist for the SPLC Courage in Student Journalism Award
- Featured in the New York Times and the Associated Press, with additional coverage of our efforts in the Kansas Reflector and the Lawrence Times
- Presented a session at the NSPA 2025 Spring Conference in Seattle, addressing the ethical concerns of Gaggle and detailing our advocacy efforts
- Created and distributed over 300 black armbands that students at both high schools wore to show their support for the campaign
- Wrote multiple investigative articles and used graphic design to advocate for student privacy
- Gave presentations to journalism classes on surveillance, the importance of a free press, and standing up for student rights
- Met with school board members to propose policy revisions related to student surveillance and monitoring, and to advocate for protections for student journalists.
- Collaborated extensively with the Student Press Law Center, utilizing their legal expertise to draft a formal letter to USD 497 and access ongoing legal resources.
- Worked with lawyers from Dentons, the world's largest global law firm, to draft and file a lawsuit challenging Gaggle's implementation in USD 497 schools
- Recruited students from both high schools in USD 497 to serve as co-plaintiffs in the lawsuit.
- Developed and executed methods to test Gaggle's capabilities and limitations.
- The vulnerabilities we found were made available to both district administrators and Gaggle executives, where fixes were implemented because of our efforts