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Work Experience

THE SEATTLE TIMES, Intern in Data / News Apps

Seattle, WA: 6/2014 – Present

- Found, analyzed, bullet-proofed and visualized data for stories. Created a [sortable chart](#) with AngularJS.
- Currently building: an interactive graphic connecting videos, and a filterable timeseries U.S. choropleth.

THE NEW YORK TIMES, Intern in User Experience & Product Research

New York, NY: 2/2014 – 5/2014

- Performed user testing to create and improve innovative products for The New York Times. Supported research studies which included intercept surveys, in-person interviews and longitudinal studies.

CITY ON A HILL PRESS, Editor-in-Chief

Santa Cruz, CA: 1/2012 – 6/2013

- Oversaw all articles and direction of 5,000-copy weekly student-run newspaper at UC Santa Cruz.
- Wrote and edited content weekly; mentored new staff; facilitated meetings of 40+ students.
- Helped pull paper out of inherited \$36k deficit via redesign, stipend cuts and accountable advertising.
- Prior positions: Managing Editor, Web Editor, Section Editor and Reporter.

BANANA SLUG NEWS, Anchor

Santa Cruz, CA: 1/2011 – 6/2013

- Co-anchored live evening newscasts for a student-run biweekly news show at UC Santa Cruz

THIRD WORLD AND NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT PRESS-COLLECTIVE, Contributor

Santa Cruz, CA: 11/2012 – 6/2013

- Published in quarterly student paper covering issues of underrepresented students on campus.

THE AMADOR LEDGER DISPATCH, Contributor

Jackson, CA: 6/2008 – 7/2009

- Interned at county newspaper of record in high school. Became contributor after six months.

Education

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM

Master of Science, Journalism, May 2014

- Coursework in data, narrative and magazine writing, interaction design, investigative journalism, first amendment law, ethics, history and business. Professional training in audio recording and photography.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ

Bachelor of Arts, Literature: Modern Literary Studies, June 2013

- Dean's Honors with coursework primarily in the study of modern literature. Additional study in economics and Mandarin Chinese. Wrote thesis on moral education in Charles Dickens' literature.

Additional Experience

DATA TEAM 2014, Member: 8/ 2013 – Present

- Participated in weekly data projects at journalism school to create original stories. Projects included: Data-collection from smartphone surveys and Twitter API streams during 2013 Mayoral Primaries, Common Core statistics mapped across New York City's five boroughs.

UC SANTA CRUZ EXPERIENTIAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM, Member: 9/2012 – 6/2013

- Developed leadership skills through hands-on training in tools for leadership, risk management.

SIERRA SERVICE PROJECT, Counselor: 6/2010 – 8/2010

- Led high school students in summer camp teams to repair homes in low-income communities.

Skills

DATA

Experience manipulating and visualizing data with R programming, RStudio, MS Excel/Access and Google Fusion Tables. Beginning knowledge of SQL.

DEVELOPMENT

HTML, CSS, LESS Javascript, jQuery, RequireJS, AngularJS, FTP

DESIGN

Experience laying out pages with Adobe InDesign.

MULTIMEDIA

Published photos and audio, comfortable with Adobe Creative Suite 5, including Photoshop and Audition. Competent with Canon EOS Rebel T3i / Vixia.

EDITORIAL

Signed off on content. Written articles, features, columns, editorials. Edited articles for factual and grammatical accuracy. Copyedited headlines, subheads and captions.

References

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