

NICOLE SHAKER

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EDUCATION

Nova Southeastern University, Farquhar Honors College (*Davie, Florida*)

August 2020-May 2024

Double Major: B.A. in Communication with a concentration in Journalism, B.S. in Computer Science

Minors: Cybersecurity, Mathematics, Honors Transdisciplinary Studies

Cumulative GPA: 3.9

WORK EXPERIENCE

ABC News, Newsgathering and Operations Intern (*New York, New York*)

January 2025-Present

- Publishes livestreams to website by routing incoming global news feeds to internal sources, writing headlines and creating on-screen graphics
- Uses broadcast technologies, including video switching and editing software, to operate news livestream, communicating with director and producer to adjust on-screen graphics, like lower thirds and side boxes, in real time and roll commercial breaks that ensure proper show timing

The Garnette Report, Entertainment Reporter (*New York, New York*)

September 2024-December 2024

- Interviewed four musical artists a week via Instagram Live, garnering hundreds of viewers per livestream
- Managed social media coverage of events like movie screenings, concerts and art installations, and wrote a news article or review for each event

Mako TV, Lead Anchor and Reporter (*Davie, Florida*)

February 2024-May 2024

- Conducted live on-camera news and features reporting, breaking local stories such as street protests and extreme traffic
- Wrote scripts and assisted in video editing for packages and anchor shots, ensuring clear, concise and compelling presentation of storylines
- Anchored biweekly news shows, presenting stories engagingly and demonstrating strong rapport with co-anchor and interviewees

The Current, Editor-in-Chief (*Davie, Florida*)

August 2022-May 2024

- Edited articles prior to publication to ensure all content was consistent, creative and adherent to AP style
- Worked with art director on the layout design of each issue to ensure unique, accessible multimedia presentations
- Held two weekly meetings to give a team of over 30 writers, photographers, graphic designers and other contributors assignments and feedback

Mako Radio, Music Reporter (*Davie, Florida*)

January 2022-May 2024

- Conducted in-depth interviews with up-and-coming musical artists to be aired on weekly radio shows and released on Spotify

Stryker, Software Engineering Intern in Regulatory Compliance (*Mahwah, New Jersey*)

May 2023-August 2023

- Designed and developed internal system allowing employees to easily search through a database of product recalls and gain key data fields, reducing the time it takes to retrieve recall data from 14 days to a few minutes

Allied Youth Consulting, News Writer (*New York, New York*)

March 2022-September 2022

- Posted summaries to Instagram of the top three global news stories of every week, creating original graphics for each post with Canva

Super Purposes, Web Developer (*Remote*)

September 2021-March 2022

- Created and modified pages on company's website using Wordpress software to improve SEO and update online content
- Acted as liaison between web developing and marketing teams to ensure campaign strategies had smooth online executions
- Created thorough documentation outlining development parameters for future developers to maintain website design

SKILLS

Spoken Languages: English (Native), Arabic (Intermediate), Spanish (Beginner)

Software: Adobe Suite, Microsoft Office/Power Platform, Versio, Ross Video Switcher, Avid, iNews, XPression, WordPress, OpenAI, Oracle, Tableau

Coding Languages: Python, Java, C++, C#, JavaScript (w/ HTML and CSS), Dart, Kotlin, DAX

PROJECTS

Make Me a Playlist (*Software Used: HTML, CSS, JavaScript*)

November 2021

- Collaborated with team of engineers to create a website that takes four user inputs to produce a unique link to a personalized Spotify playlist

Rainy Daze Music Review (*Software Used: WordPress*)

August 2017-December 2021

- Independently designed, developed, and maintained blog with original song recommendation and review articles to give exposure to up-and-coming artists, and networked with artists via Instagram

ACTIVITIES

Dugree, Artificial Intelligence and Politics Researcher (*Remote*)

July 2024-September 2024

- Trained AI chatbots in navigating political discussions around sensitive topics, particularly the Israel-Hamas War, through engaging with others in meaningful conversations led by AI-produced talking points and reporting on the quality of the conversations

Headstarter, AI Software Engineering Fellow (*New York, New York*)

July 2024-October 2024

- Worked with team of engineers to produce software products with embedded artificial intelligence systems, including an AI-powered calendar and a customer service chatbot, and marketed these products on social media platforms, like Reddit and LinkedIn

Orthodox Christian Campus Ministries, Social Media Manager (*Davie, Florida*)

August 2023-May 2024

- Designed visually-appealing and informative digital flyers for Instagram, and engaged with members via reels, polls, and other interactive content

Broward Libraries "Celebrating Women Who Tell Our Stories" Panel, Panelist (*Davie, Florida*)

March 2023

- Engaged in a discussion with a large audience on personal experience as a female leader in media and journalism

Presidential Scholar Events, Content, and Media Committee, Committee Chair (*Davie, Florida*)

August 2022-May 2023

- Guided team of 30 committee members to create a semesterly campus newsletter and oversaw social media team in posting daily campus news

Association for Computing Machinery, Vice President (*Davie, Florida*)

April 2022-May 2023

- Oversaw E-Board and spearheaded new initiatives, such as weekly social outings and coding competitions, to foster community and provide academic support for NSU computer science students

Coptic Orphans, Volunteer English Teacher (*Cairo, Egypt*)

July 2022-August 2022

- Traveled to destitute Coptic Orthodox communities in Egypt to teach orphaned children how to speak English