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WORK EXPERIENCE

Google News Lab Fellow at Google and ABC News (January 2018 – present)

- Writes data-driven articles for the Australian Broadcasting Commission which have 10,000+ views.
- Creates interactive data visualizations for ABC News and Google News Lab using D3.js and React.js.
- Cleans and commences preliminary analysis of datasets in R and Python.

Research Assistant, US Studies Centre, University of Sydney (July 2017 – present)

- Acts as the tech lead for the US Studies Centre.
- Built and maintains the Centre's GitHub, data repositories, and the data section of the website.
- Helps maintain R package *pscl* including fixing bugs as needed and sending updates to CRAN, the largest open source R repository.
- Creates interactive data visualizations in D3.js and R for USSC research reports.
- Builds front-end web applications using JavaScript, CSS, and HTML.
- Conducts academic research in political science including multivariate analysis of public opinion data.

Research Assistant, Smith College (January 2017 – July 2017)

- Assisted the Environmental Science and Policy Department at Smith College with data analysis, including data wrangling and visualization in R.

Research Assistant, Paris Institute for Advanced Studies (June –August 2016)

- Researched the role of European nativism in affecting the media discourse within France on the European refugee crisis.

Blumberg Fellow, Smith College (June – August 2016)

- Researched effects of the European refugee crisis in Paris. Interviewed asylum seekers for research that was presented at Smith College.

Europe and Eurasia Fellow, Young Australians in International Affairs (January – June 2016)

- Published monthly articles for the institute about contemporary issues affecting Europe.

Intern, Centre for Multiparty Democracy (June – August 2015)

- Worked on 2/3 Gender Rule Campaign in Kenya, created to enforce the constitutional stipulation that parliament is not more than 1/3 male.

EDUCATION

Smith College in MA, USA: **BA in Government and Statistics and Data Sciences** (May 2017)

LEADERSHIP AND SKILLS

Programming languages and computer skills: R, SQL, Python, AWS, HTML, CSS, React.js, D3.js, Tableau

Languages: French – advanced, Spanish – basic