RUTH SERVEN

WRITER









EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

The Missouri School of Journalism Bachelor of Journalism May 2017 Medieval and Renaissance Studies Minor

PROFILE

I am a writer and journalist in the Flyover States. I am aways looking for a good yarn and a better cup of coffee. Favorite writers include Lane DeGregory, David Halberstam, Laura Hillenbrand and Flannery O'Connor. Ask me about Bulgaria and late medieval history.

SERVICE

MIZZOU RNA | VICE PRESIDENT

 Added members, arranged speakers and organized a multimedia journalism contest for the first student chapter of the Religion News Association.

CENTER FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS | VOLUNTEER

 Conversed about life and discussed English grammar weekly with English Language Learners

WORK

MISSOURIAN, COLUMBIA, MO REPORTER, COPY, GRAPHICS

2015-2017

- Write higher education and general assignment stories and features for a community newspaper.
- Use infographics, data analysis and interactive copyediting to tell my own and other reporters' stories in clear and engaging ways.

THE WRITING CENTER, COLUMBIA, MO TUTOR

2015-2017

- Work with all academic subjects and levels of writing.
- Tutor undergraduates and graduate students and help revise their papers and essays, think through edits and brainstorm new ideas.

THE KANSAS CITY STAR, KANSAS CITY, MO | REPORTER REPORTER

2016

- Wrote daily and enterprise stories on employment, higher education, nonprofits and community events for the metro desk.
- Took photos and created videos for my stories and used social media to create and promote online content.

MISSION TO THE WORLD, SOFIA, BULGARIA

2015

- ESL TUTOR
- Wrote lesson plans, taught English as a Second Language for all levels of non-native speakers and organized a week-long English Camp.
- Fundraised \$6,000 in five months to fund my eight-week internship.

SKILLS

Multimedia
Critical Thinking
Cross-Cultural
Fundraising
Data and Coding



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PROJECTS

EPIPHANY LITERARY MAGAZINE, WINTER 2017 ISSUE

"A Message"

2017 PEN AMERICA EMERGING WRITERS AWARD