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## Education

**University of California, Berkeley — 2016–2020 (intended)**

- B.A. English (Minors in History and Creative Writing)
- GPA: 3.68

## Writing Experience

**Executive News Editor — The Daily Californian (May 2018–Aug. 2018)**

- The Daily Californian is the city of Berkeley's paper of record; UC Berkeley's independent, student-run newspaper
- Read every story produced by the news department from this time period, as well as many background stories; pitched daily and long-term stories; worked with reporters on their long terms
- Edited, fact-checked (libel tested) an average of 2 stories per day
- Managed staff of 30 news reporters

**Assistant News Editor — The Daily Californian (Jan. 2018–May 2018)**

- Scanned for news, pitched stories, and organized assignments for reporters 5 days a week
- Edited, fact-checked (libel tested) an average of 2 stories per day
- Managed staff of 40 news reporters

**Beat Reporter (Student government, Higher Education) — The Daily Californian (Jan. 2017–Dec. 2017)**

- Lead student government beat reporter during student government elections, covered candidate releases, voting, and weekly student government senate meetings (1-3 articles per week)
- Higher education beat reporter for one semester, covered UC Regents meetings at UC San Francisco, as well as news releases from the UC Office of the President (1 article per week)

**General Assignment Reporter — The Daily Californian (Aug. 2016–Dec. 2016)**

- Researched and drafted two 450 word articles per week, one article done in one day, on a range of topics from city bureaucracy to community events, or student life insights to restaurant openings

**Special Author — The Almaden Times (May 2012–Oct. 2015)**

- The Almaden Times is a local newspaper in the Almaden Valley (San Jose, CA)
- Researched and drafted one 400-500 word story per semester, completed within a week, about a local event

## Skills

- **First Aid/AED/CPR Certified** (first obtained June 2015, expiration May 2019)
- **PADI Scuba Advanced Open Water Diving Certified** (obtained July 2013)
- **Proficient with:** Adobe Photoshop 2018 — Adobe Premiere Pro 2017 — Microsoft Word/Excel/Powerpoint — Google Drive/Docs/Sheets — balloon animals
- **Cal Women's Club Water Polo Team** (Fall 2016–Fall 2017)
- **Former Lifeguard at Almaden Cabana Club** (Summer 2015–Summer 2017)
  - Normal lifeguard for 2 summers, involved working 4-5 hour shifts and watching the pools, working at the front desk, and providing first aid, performing water rescues, and CPR if needed
  - Head lifeguard for 1 summer, responsibilities of normal lifeguard as well as organizing lifeguards on duty during 4-5 hour shift and managing 3 pools' chlorine levels