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JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

POLITICO Europe » Production Intern » Jan. 2017 – present

- » Produce web stories and engage audiences through social media platforms for Brussels' largest international publication.
- » Pitch and report feature stories on international issues.

Columbia Missourian » Reporter » May – Dec. 2016

- » Reported on health care, public safety, higher education and other community topics for Columbia's daily city newspaper.
- » Wrote in-depth pieces and daily stories, juggling multiple assignments.
- » Worked general assignment shifts and respond to breaking news.
- » Analyzed data for investigative pieces and create graphics.
- » Coordinated visuals with photo and graphics departments.

The Maneater » University News Editor » Nov. 2015 – May 2016

- » Coordinated news coverage of the University of Missouri for MU's daily online and weekly print student newspaper.
- » Created interactive timeline of the fall 2015 semester, including campus race relations, protests and administrative resignations, that received over 200,000 views and was cited by the New York Times.
- » Edited longform pieces as Projects Editor (April – Nov. 2015).
- » Formerly a writer, copy editor and designer (Sept. 2014 – April 2015).

Thompson Center for Autism » Publications Assistant » Jan. 2016 – present

- » Design publications for the University of Missouri's autism research center; promote programs and events on social media.

The Maneater » Alumni Coordinator » May 2016 – present

- » Strengthen relationships between The Maneater student newspaper's current staff and hundreds of alumni across the country.
- » Manage a mentorship program pairing alumni with current staffers.
- » Create monthly newsletters and manage social media accounts.

Journalism Ambassador » Missouri School of Journalism » Feb. 2016 – present

- » Lead tours and represent the journalism school at events for prospective students and their families.

Team Leader » Newsroom by the Bay » Summers 2015 and 2016

- » Mentored a team of high school students producing multimedia content during a weeklong journalism workshop at Stanford University.

Colorado Community Media » Intern » Dec. 2014 – Jan. 2015

- » Reported and wrote stories on local topics for multiple community newspapers in the Denver metropolitan area.

EDUCATION

Missouri School of Journalism

- » Bachelor of Journalism
- » Graduation: May 2018
- » Emphasis: Print and Digital News Reporting
- » Minors: Political Science, History
- » Organizations: Women in Media, Mizzou Alternative Breaks, Christian Campus House

STORYTELLING SKILLS

Advanced

- » News writing
- » Beat reporting
- » Breaking news coverage
- » Deadline management
- » Copy editing, AP Style
- » DSLR photography
- » Adobe InDesign
- » Social media
- » Google Fusion Tables
- » Timeline JS

Proficient

- » Data analysis, Microsoft Excel
- » HTML, CSS, web development
- » Adobe Illustrator, Photoshop
- » DSLR video, video editing

HONORS & AWARDS

- » Dean's List (fall 2014 – present)
- » Walter Williams Scholar and Honors College member (fall 2014 – present)
- » The Maneater scholarship recipient (2016)
- » First place in state for in-depth news reporting, multimedia package and feature writing, Missouri College Media Association (2016)
- » National High School Journalist of the Year (2014)