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journalism experience

The Maneater student newspaper • University News Editor • Fall 2015 – present

- Coordinate coverage of the University of Missouri, including campus race relations, protests and the resignations of MU's chancellor and system president
- Plan and edit stories with writers for daily online and weekly print publication
- Created interactive timeline of the fall 2015 semester that received over 200,000 views and was cited by the New York Times, the Washington Post, and others
- Managed longform pieces, coordinating multimedia and working with writers to ensure accurate reporting as publication's Projects Editor (spring 2015 – fall 2015)
- Formerly a higher education beat writer and copy editor (fall 2014 – spring 2015)

MU Thompson Center for Autism • Publications Assistant • Spring 2016 – present

- Design publications for the University of Missouri's center for autism research and treatment and use social media to promote programs and events

Colorado Community Media • Intern • Winter 2014

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

Journalism Education Association • Speaker • Fall 2014 – present

- Present sessions to groups of high school students at national conventions
- Critique student work in write-off competitions
- Spoke to 3,000 students at convention opening ceremony (spring 2015)

leadership experience

Newsroom by the Bay • Team Leader • Summer 2015

- Led eight high school students in reporting and producing multimedia content during a weeklong journalism workshop at Stanford University
- Organized a daylong reporting field trip into San Francisco, led students in the city

Camp Barnabas • Summer Staff • Summers 2014 and 2015

- Led a cabin of teenage volunteers, each paired with a camper with special needs, while participating in camp activities for nine weeks of camp
- Mentored younger staffers to help them develop leadership skills

education

University of Missouri School of Journalism • Fall 2014 – Spring 2018

Bachelor of Journalism, emphasis in print and digital news reporting
Minors in political science and history

storytelling skills

Advanced: journalistic writing, breaking news coverage, copy editing, DSLR photography, Google Fusion Tables, social media (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Storify, Tumblr), Adobe InDesign, Adobe Photoshop, Timeline JS

Basic: HTML/CSS, web development, Tableau, Adobe Illustrator, DSLR video & editing

awards & recognition

Walter Williams Scholar & Honors College member (fall 2014 – present)
Dean's List, Missouri School of Journalism (fall 2014, spring 2015, fall 2015)
National High School Journalist of the Year (2014)