TREVOR BROWN

Investigative Journalist & Full-Stack Developer

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SUMMARY

Combines 15 years of award-winning investigative journalism with full-stack development. Builds data-driven applications that require both technical skills and editorial judgment.

Creates interactive visualizations and web tools that make complex information accessible. Interested in exploring practical applications of AI and LLMs.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Web Developer & Digital Marketing   2023 – Present
Keith Brown DDS (Naperville, Ill.)

- Built a responsive dental practice website with Next.js, including appointment booking, service pages and a blog. Manage SEO and a $2,000/month Google Ads budget, optimizing campaigns that tripled new patient bookings over the past year.

Investigative Journalist   2016 – 2022
Oklahoma Watch (Oklahoma City)

- Conducted long-form investigations into government corruption, public policy issues and legislative accountability using data analysis
- Launched Democracy Watch newsletter to 4,000+ subscribers covering voting, elections, redistricting and government transparency

State Capitol Reporter   2011 – 2016
Wyoming Tribune Eagle (Cheyenne)

- Reported on legislature, elections, governor and state agencies with focus on budget data and policy analysis

State Government Reporter   2010 – 2011
CNHI (Oklahoma City)

- Functioned as sole statehouse correspondent, creating enterprise and election coverage for 14 newspapers

Reporter   2008 – 2010
Staunton News Leader (Staunton, Va.)

- Wrote about local government, courts and breaking news for daily newspaper

Editor-in-Chief   2007 – 2008
Indiana Daily Student (Bloomington, Ind.)

- Directed newsroom of 100+ student journalists

EDUCATION

Web Development Certificate (2022)
University of Oklahoma
260-hour intensive program via FullStack Academy

B.A. Journalism (2008)
Indiana University

B.A. Political Science (2008)
Indiana University

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Core Web Technologies

Next.js, React, TypeScript, Node.js, PostgreSQL, Tailwind

Data Visualization

Flourish, Datawrapper, Infogram, Tableau, Chart.js, Excel, web scraping

AI & Automation

LLM Integrations, OpenAI API, Anthropic API

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

Newspaper Writer of the Year (2021)
Great Plains Journalism Awards

Reporter of the Year (2020)
Oklahoma Society of Professional Journalists

First Place, Investigative Reporting (2022)
Oklahoma Society of Professional Journalists

Community Champion Award (2020)
Institute for Nonprofit News
"A Digital Memorial to Oklahomans Who Died from COVID-19"