

TAYLOR GOLDENSTEIN

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EDUCATION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Graduated December 2013

Bachelor of Science in News-Editorial Journalism

Minor in Spanish

EXPERIENCE

Austin American-Statesman | Austin, TX

Travis/Hays County Reporter

September 2016 – Present

Covers county government with a focus on watchdog reporting. Handles all daytime breaking news on Saturdays.

Los Angeles Times | Los Angeles, CA

Metpro Fellow/Reporter on Metro and Data Desks

September 2014 – April 2016

Conducted data analysis for Data Desk projects and other stories, reported and wrote enterprise, data-driven stories.

Built and updated news applications using Django. Covered California's historic drought, breaking news and general assignments. Contributed reporting to Pulitzer Prize-winning coverage of San Bernardino terror attack.

Tampa Bay Times | St. Petersburg, FL

Editorial Intern

June 2014 – September 2014

Reported on crime, politics and general assignments. Wrote enterprise feature story published in The Floridian magazine.

Chicago Tribune | Chicago, IL

Metro Intern

March 2014 – June 2014

Covered general assignments on topics ranging from breaking news to crime to city and state politics. Earned four A1 bylines and produced several centerpieces.

Nieman Foundation for Journalism at Harvard | Cambridge, MA

Visiting Fellow

January 2014 – March 2014

Developed and prototyped website to connect college journalists with peers and professionals. Project selected out of more than 200 proposals.

The Arizona Republic | Phoenix, AZ

Pulliam Fellow

June 2013 – August 2013

Took on small business beat. Wrote centerpiece features. Regularly live-tweeted and recorded/edited video.

Daily Herald | Arlington Heights, IL

Editorial Intern

May 2012 – August 2012

Filed at least one article a day on multi-city beat plus general assignments, included covering meetings, events, spot news. Initiated, with colleague, one of largest investigations paper did that year after following reporting lead on fraudulent rescue squad that led to resignations and arrests.

Chicago Reader | Chicago, IL

Editorial Intern

May 2011 – August 2011

Wrote short magazine-style features, blogged and fact-checked.

Pioneer Press | Glenview, IL

Editorial Intern

May 2011 – August 2011

Reported on local news and features for three newspapers. Often wrote centerpieces.

The Daily Illini | Champaign, IL

City Reporter, Assistant News Editor, News Editor

September 2010 – December 2013

As news editor, managed 30 to 40 reporters. Wrote and edited content for print, online and radio.

SKILLS

Languages: English (native) and Spanish (advanced)

Web & Data:

Front-end: HTML, CSS, JavaScript, ActionScript, WordPress templating

Back-end/analysis: Excel/Access, Python/Django, SQL, QGIS, Basic R