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WORK EXPERIENCE

The Star Tribune

July 2021 – Present

Freelancer

Remote

- Freelancer on the data team, reporting out data news stories of varying topics while assisting the team with occasional data requests to agencies.
- Scrape covid and vaccine data using R from The New York Times GitHub page and CDC data portal (respectively), ensuring quality check on the new data before transferring it live to The Tribune's weekly covid tracker.

The New York Times

July 2020 – June 2022

News Assistant

Remote

- Work with a team of over two dozen journalists in a collaborative Google Sheets environment to update and maintain the Times' covid database, while clarifying inconsistencies with state health departments through routine correspondence.
- Monitor how each state handles covid reporting through spreadsheets, and ensure that all data cited meets the standards and definitions set by the covid tracking team.

The Minnesota Daily

Oct. 2019 – July 2020

Staff Reporter

Minneapolis, MN

- Reported on city government stories ranging from local ordinances to budget proposals, ensuring that angles relate back to University students.
- Created data visualizations using Datawrapper upon request by other reporters as supplemental story aides.

Cool Blue Media, Inc

June 2019 – Aug. 2019

Communications Research Intern

Washington, D.C.

- Compiled a whitepaper on medical device regulations regarding therapy technologies in Virtual Reality for a startup looking to launch in the healthcare sector.

EDUCATION & AFFILIATIONS

University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Sept. 2018 – May 2020

B.A., Journalism

Minneapolis, MN

Rock Valley College

Aug. 2014 – May 2016

A.S.

Rockford, IL

Member of Asian-American Journalist Association, and Investigative Reporters & Editors

TOOLS & INTERESTS

- **Tools:** Excel; ProTools, GitHub, Tableau; Datawrapper, HTML, CSS, Python, R, MySQL, QGIS, Mapbox, Adobe Photoshop
- **Interests:** Data science, /r/dataisugly, and Wikipedia rabbit holes on political history