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EDUCATION

Harvard University

B.A. in Government and Studies of Women, Gender, and Sexuality

Cambridge, Mass.

Anticipated: May 2027

- Relevant coursework: Ancient and Medieval Political Philosophy; Modern Conceptions of Freedom; Leaning in, Hooking Up: Visions of Feminism in the 21st Century; The Politics of Personal Writing; Narrative Journalism; Creative Nonfiction; Fiction Writing; The Essay: History and Practice

EXPERIENCE

The Boston Globe

Boston, Mass.

Opinions Intern

Oct 2024 – Present

- Write timely [columns](#) under tight deadlines for a national audience, working directly with editorial page editor Jim Dao to refine arguments and ensure clarity for readers.

Freelance (Various Outlets)

Houston, Texas

Features Writer

May 2019 – Present

- Pitch, research, and write longform features and op-eds for [The New York Times Magazine](#), [Slate](#), [TIME Magazine](#), [CNN Opinion](#), [Teen Vogue](#), [NBC News](#) and [Longreads](#); over one million reads across pieces.

American Enterprise Institute

Washington, D.C.

2025 Summer Honors Academy Scholar

June 2025 – Aug 2025

- Selected as one of 10 students nationwide for AEI's [residential politics program](#); studied under Dr. Christine Rosen to examine how technology drives news consumption and reshapes public trust in media.
- Wrote research memos on liberalism, modernity, autonomy and masculinity to support a forthcoming book project, sharpening skills in narrative framing and longform argumentation.

White House Initiative for Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders

Washington, D.C.

Press Intern & 2024 Stad Fellow

June 2024 – Aug 2024

- Drafted the [Annual Report to President Biden](#), including the narrative introduction that framed the administration's democratic commitments into clear, audience-focused language.
- Compiled relevant news clips in weekly email blasts to 320+ senior White House and agency officials.

ACTIVITIES

The Harvard Crimson

Cambridge, Mass.

Editorial Board Staff Writer

Dec 2023 – Present

- Write columns exploring the normative dimensions of a liberal arts education, including critiques of the [pre-professionalization of the classroom](#) and the [impact of technology](#) on deep, focused learning.
- Pitch, debate, and vote on tri-weekly [staff editorials](#) that set the institutional stance on campus politics.

Harvard Kennedy School Institute of Politics (IOP), Fellows & Study Groups

Cambridge, Mass.

Co-Chair, Member of the Student Advisory Committee

Jan 2024 – Present

- Lead on-campus forums with leading journalists (Peter Baker, Susan Glasser, Maggie Haberman, Jon Meacham).

Harvard Public Opinion Project

Cambridge, Mass.

Student Researcher

Jan 2024 – Present

- Write questions, analyze data and prepare press releases for the nation's largest poll of American youth.
- Interviewed 10+ young pollsters for a [Teen Vogue profile](#) on the Harvard Youth Poll's 2024 spring findings.

The Harvard Political Review

Cambridge, Mass.

Associate Culture Editor

May 2023 – Present

- Led a team of 50+ staff writers; edited, fact-checked, and polished cultural coverage on arts, media, and campus life, ensuring adherence to AP Style, editorial standards and journalism ethics.

SKILLS

Affiliations: Asian American Journalists Association (AAJA), Gold House Futures Journalism Accelerator

Languages: English, Mandarin, Taiwanese Hokkien

Current reads: *The Right to Sex* by Amia Srinivasan; *The Agony of Eros* by Byung Chul-Han; Plato's *Charmides*