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EDUCATION

NORTHWESTERN

UNIVERSITY | EVANSTON, IL

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN JOURNALISM

- SOCIAL JUSTICE AND INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING SPECIALIZATION
- COMPLETED AUGUST 2021
- GPA: 4.0/4.0

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN JOURNALISM

- MINORS IN DANCE AND POLITICAL SCIENCE
- COMPLETED DECEMBER 2020
- GPA: 3.8/4.0

SKILLS

- AP STYLE
- FRENCH LANGUAGE
- SOCIAL MEDIA STRATEGY
- HTML, CSS, JAVASCRIPT
- ADOBE CREATIVE SUITE: PHOTOSHOP, INDESIGN, PREMIERE

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

FREELANCE REPORTER

VARIOUS OUTLETS | NEW ORLEANS, LA | SEPTEMBER 2021-PRESENT

- Reports a variety of stories, including investigative features and daily news stories, for multiple outlets
- Reports on a variety of topics, including education, climate change and Mardi Gras
- Published in [The Times-Picayune](#), [Chalkbeat Chicago](#) and [The Progressive](#)

STUDENT COMMUNICATIONS INTERN

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS | EVANSTON, IL | JANUARY 2018-AUGUST 2021

- Pitched, researched and helped compose a [timeline](#) of over 200 international events in Northwestern's history
- Managed office social media accounts
- Reported on international events on campus for the Northwestern news service, Northwestern Now
- Edited and reviewed copy for department website

ADVANCED SOCIAL JUSTICE REPORTING

MEDILL SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM | EVANSTON, IL | APRIL-JUNE 2021

- Worked on two projects with [Injustice Watch](#):
 - One focused on police officers stationed in Chicago Public Schools,
 - One focused on law enforcement officers charged with sex crimes
- Worked with the [Tea Project](#), an interdisciplinary art and media project, to research Bagram military prison in Afghanistan and map connections between military torture and law enforcement

EDITORIAL FELLOW

WASHINGTONIAN MAGAZINE | WASHINGTON, D.C. | SEPTEMBER 2020-NOVEMBER 2020

- Reported on events in Washington, D.C. for the magazine's website, including a weekly report on demonstrations in the city
- Researched and wrote front-of-the-book stories, as well as a feature, for the magazine
- Fact-checked magazine stories, including the lucrative "Top Doctors" feature

SENIOR SECTION EDITOR

NORTH BY NORTHWESTERN MAGAZINE | EVANSTON, IL | JANUARY 2018-MARCH 2020

- Edited the largest section of Northwestern's quarterly student magazine, with an audience of 3,000 students
- Edited the politics section of North by Northwestern's website
- Managed a group of four writers through the reporting and writing process
- Wrote and fact-checked ~3,000-word feature articles