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Education

University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC)

Bachelor of Arts in English with a Minor in Communications; GPA: 3.65/4.0; Dean's List

May 2021

- Summer Abroad July 2019 - August 2019: Freie Universität Berlin

Experience

Freelance Breaking News Correspondent: Daily Herald

December 2021 - Present

- Wrote breaking news stories covering crime, traffic and other areas in a fast-paced environment.
- Work closely with full-time staff to research stories and follow up on information.
- Took on special assignments for more in-depth coverage.

Freelance Reporter: Shaw Media

November 2021 - Present

- Wrote regular local news, government and education stories for the Kane County Chronicle
- Delivered weekly coverage of Batavia, IL government and school board meetings.
- Developed and followed through on story ideas, including coverage of developing topics over multiple stories.

Freelance Copywriter: N2 Media

October 2021 - Present

- Wrote press releases, website content and email marketing campaigns for various clients.
- Adhered to specific style and content based on the client's needs.
- Worked closely with N2 Media full time staff on larger projects.

Freelance Podcast Producer/Host: Red Line Project

December 2020 - June 2021

- Developed "Red Line Project Radio," a periodic roundtable current events podcast highlighting the work of student journalists in Chicago. Scheduled interviews, fact-checked stories and edited all audio.
- As host, facilitated discussions on multiple topics including the COVID-19 pandemic, voter turnout and mental health; Composed bumper music.

Radio Showrunner/Assistant Blog Director: UIC Radio

August 2017 – May 2021

- Edited blog content from 25+ student contributors; Organized and ran sections of station's bi-weekly meetings.
- Conducted research and interviewed sources for multiple entertainment-focused articles.
- Hosted a weekly radio interview show. Booked show guests and ran on-air soundboards.

Other Writing Credits

- **Cracked** - Contributed list articles and long-form celebrity profile features October 2021 – Present
- **Luna Collective** - Covered concerts and profiled rising musicians. October 2021 - Present
- **The Hard Times** - Contributed 70+ articles to the acclaimed satire website. November 2018 - Present

Skills

- Advanced content writing and copy-editing experience, AP style, Journalistic Research
- Radio and podcast production, Data analysis, web scraping, and visualization
- Seasoned Facebook, Twitter and Instagram management skills. Email marketing (Mailchimp)
- Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint); GoogleDocs

Awards and Honors

- 2020 SPJ MOE Region 5 Online In-Depth Reporting Finalist: Staff, The Red Line Project
- 2018 UIC Center for Student Involvement Unsung Hero Award
- Featured in "Thank You" section of "The Hard Times: The First 40 Years" Book