

MOLLY ASHFORD

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EXPERIENCE

Omaha World-Herald

Metro News Intern

May 2022- present

- Full-time reporter covering a little bit of everything for Nebraska's largest newspaper
- Assignments range from breaking news coverage to local government and feature stories

Night Cops Reporter

January– May 2022

- Weekend night reporter on the crime and courts beat

The Gateway

Editor-in-chief

April 2021–June 2022

- Responsible for all aspects of online and print production of The Gateway, UNO's student-run publication
- Led a team of 15 student reporters and editors to produce daily online content and six monthly print issues
- Secured university funding for the 2022-2023 school year. No cuts made to proposed budget (a \$10,000 net increase) resulting in increased wages for staff reporters and much-needed technology upgrades

Copy Editor

August 2020–April 2021

- Edited all print and online stories for content and adherence to AP style
- Assisted with online content management using WordPress and HootSuite

NOISE Omaha

Contributing Writer

July 2021–January 2022

- Covered American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding and legislative redistricting efforts for community news nonprofit

UNeTech Institute

Communications Intern

July 2021–March 2022

- Produced blog and social media content for university-supported tech and startup incubator housed at the University of Nebraska Medical Center

Omaha Daily Record

Staff Writer

January 2020–July 2021

- Wrote features, profiles and news briefs on Omaha's law and business communities with an emphasis on women in the legal profession
- Received first place award for single feature story from the Nebraska Press Association for reporting on the right to legal counsel in eviction proceedings

Catalyze Evaluation

Research Assistant and Internship Coordinator

May 2018–July 2021

- Conducted hundreds of interviews, primarily with youth, for a variety of participatory research projects
- Presented findings to grantee organizations and at local and national conferences. Featured speaker at American Evaluation Association conference (2019, 2020) and CityMatCH Conference (2019)
- Supervised a total of nine interns over two years as they designed and executed original research projects.
- Conducted basic statistical analyses using SPSS

EDUCATION

University of Nebraska at Omaha

B.S. in Medical Humanities

December 2022

- Interdisciplinary study of health humanities, narrative medicine, creative writing among many electives
- Minor in journalism with ~80% of major requirements completed
- Recipient of Omaha Press Club Paul N. Williams Scholarship (2021)

Omaha News Academy

Facilitated by Flatwater Free Press & NOISE Omaha

July 2022

- Participant in ten-session journalism bootcamp hosted by two nonprofit newsrooms dedicated to covering underreported