

# Quinn O'Connor

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## EDUCATION

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**Emerson College**, Boston, MA

**Major:** Journalism

**Minor:** Political Science

**GPA:** 3.77

**Honors:** Dean's List, NEWMAC 21/22 & 22/23 Academic All-Conference Team

**Relevant Coursework:** Research Writing, Law/Ethics for Journalists, Data Visualization, Copyediting

## WORK AND LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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**The Well News**, Intern/Reporter **June 2023 – July 2023**

- Provided in-depth context and coverage of both anticipated and breaking news.
- Assigned to cover Supreme Court dramatic end-of-term rulings, including affirmative action, veterans', and Native Americans' affairs.
- Conducted in-person and remote interviews with relevant sources.
- Utilized social media platforms to engage with audience, promote articles, and share breaking news updates.

**Society of Professional Journalists**, Executive Board/Vice President **Fall 2021 – Present**

- Partnered with fellow board members to successfully apply for chapter affiliation.
- Co-author of chapter constitution and bylaws.
- Planned professional journalism events for members.

**Berkeley Beacon**, Assistant Copy Editor, Staff Writer **Fall 2022 - Present**

- Work under tight deadlines to fact-check and proofread submitted copy. Ensure final proofs are error-free, grammatically correct, and adhere to AP and in-house style guides.
- Maintain internal style guide. Keep writers abreast of updates.
- Research and fact-check information
- Pitch story ideas to editorial staff. Produce and edit high-quality coverage of on-campus events.
- Arrange and conduct detailed interviews with sources and contacts.

**The Round Room Podcast**, Researcher, Writer **Fall 2022 – Spring 2023**

- Covered an array of topics with a specialization in international news.
- Wrote and delivered high-quality scripts under very tight deadlines.

**Athleta/Gap Inc**, Retail Sales **June 2022 – September 2022**

**Special Olympics**, Assistant Coach **March 2017 – March 2020**

## MEMBERSHIPS & ACTIVITIES

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- Emerson Women's Basketball Team
- Communications, Politics, & Law Association

## SKILLS

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- Excellent data/web research skills, including data/analytics
- Visual media skills: Adobe Suite, Lightroom, PowerPoint, Canva, Final Cut Pro, iMovie
- Proficient in Word/Docs, Word Press, Substack
- Command of AP and Chicago style rules associated with print and Web media
- Proven ability to produce high-quality work and manage multiple projects while meeting deadlines.