



Megan Lupo

Investigative Journalist

My passion for journalism emerged when I read John Branch's "Snow Fall: The Avalanche at Tunnel Creek" in *The New York Times*. Since then, I have won several awards for my stories, was published in national news outlets and was a part of the inaugural investigative journalism master's program at Arizona State University. I aspire to hold those in power accountable and amplify the voices of those marginalized.

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EDUCATION

M.A. Investigative Journalism

Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Arizona State University

08/2019 - 08/2020

Phoenix, Arizona

B.A. Journalism

Rider University

09/2015 - 05/2019

Lawrenceville, New Jersey

Honors

- Graduated Summa Cum Laude

ACHIEVEMENTS

2020 Arizona State University's Graduate College Knowledge Mobilization Impact Award (03/2020)

Awarded first place in the Masters (Completed Research) category with two other colleagues for an investigative piece on Maricopa County, Arizona's inadequate resources for its largest homeless population

2019 New Jersey Press Foundation Award (04/2019)

Awarded first place in the Enterprise/Investigative Reporting category for two investigative stories about New Jersey's Rider University— one on its racist history and the other on its then newly hired consultant's controversial past

SKILLS

Adobe Audition, Lightroom/Photoshop and Premiere

Microsoft Office Word, Excel and PowerPoint

R Programming

ArcGIS; QGIS

AP Style

Narrative and News Writing

Investigative Reporting

Research; Fact Checking/Backgrounding

Data Analysis

Photo and Video Storytelling

Media Law and Ethics Knowledge

Micro-Interviewing

Medical Interviewing

Understanding Financial Statements

Basic Accounting Principles

Social Media

EXPERIENCE

Reporter

Howard Center for Investigative Journalism

05/2020 - 08/2020

Phoenix, Arizona

Tasks

- Conducted a remote 10-week national investigation; Reported and wrote stories; Fact checked information
- Interviewed various experts, advocates and people via Zoom or by phone; Backgrounded people extensively
- Filed public records requests and combed through thousands of documents; Created data analysis

Graduate Assistant

Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Arizona State University

08/2019 - 05/2020

Phoenix, Arizona

Tasks

- Conducted in-depth research for two professors' various reports and upcoming publications
- Created spreadsheets and data analysis
- Proofread and edited academic essays and articles

Managing Editor

The Rider News at Rider University

04/2018 - 05/2019

Lawrenceville, New Jersey

Tasks

- Assigned, pitched, reported, wrote and edited articles for print and digital publication; Oversaw production
- Created multimedia content; Conducted archival research
- Formatted newspaper and website layout weekly

News Intern

North Jersey Media Group

06/2018 - 08/2018

Woodland Park, New Jersey

NorthJersey.com and 201 Magazine

Tasks

- Pitched, reported, wrote and produced multimedia content for newspaper and magazine publication
- Conducted archival research and computer-assisted reporting; Analyzed data and current trends
- Extensively fact checked and conducted backgrounds