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SUMMARY

Experienced wordsmith with over 10 years of experience in publishing, editing, and storytelling in print and digital formats across creative, academic, and professional domains. Meticulous proofreader and fact-checker, skilled in researching & managing content while maintaining authorial voice. Passionate advocate for diverse creative expression, accessible intellectual exploration, and stronger literary representation for women writers. Lifelong lover of learning and didactic connection, committed to delivering narratives that resonate.

EDUCATION

MASTER OF ARTS PUBLISHING & WRITING	BACHELOR OF ARTS ENGLISH LITERATURE & LANGUAGE
2025 Emerson College Boston, MA	Rock Hill, SC Winthrop University 2016

PUBLICATIONS & AWARDS

BOSTON GLOBE MAGAZINE APRIL 2024 Careers & Colleges Feature: <i>We asked 6,000 New Englanders: Is a college degree still worth the cost?</i>	EMERSON COLLEGE 2022 - 2024 Graduate Student Award in Distinguished Writing: <i>Rejecting, Reclaiming, Revitalizing the Mary Sue</i>
PAGE TURNER MAGAZINE FEB. 2024 Flash Fiction: <i>Forget Me Never</i>	Presidential Graduate Fellowship Emerson Community Scholarship

EXPERIENCE

CONTENT EDITOR	COPYWRITER	PROOFREADER	RESEARCHER
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THE QUARTO GROUP 2023 - PRESENT <i>Gunhild, Vol. 2: The Hunt for Loki</i> - F. Tornager <i>Nature School: The Workbook</i> - K. Giordano <i>Science in the Wild</i> - R. Colón <i>Aple Black, Vol. 5: Rumble Trials</i> - W. Oguogu <i>Hammer, Vol. 5: The Bird Kingdom</i> - Jeyodin <i>Titan King, Vol. 3: Knockout Stages</i> - T. Dawkins	FALSTAFF BOOKS 2016 - 2019 <i>A Fall in Autumn</i> - M. G. Williams <i>Chasing the Dragon</i> - A. Christian <i>The Hungry ONes</i> - E. Gomel <i>A Pocket Watch, Spray Paint, & Morphine</i> - K. Lynne
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PROOFREADER	VML	KANSAS CITY, MO (REMOTE)	FEB. 2022 - PRESENT
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Edit social content for multinational brands, including Hill's Pet Nutrition, Kimberly-Clark, & Mondelēz International Fortify brand messaging for consistency across multiple channels Cross-check promotions for distributors like PetSmart, Costco, & Kroger Align style guide updates with industry standards to streamline delivery Adjust ad copy to audience insights and segmentation	Help coordinate publicity campaigns for initiatives like the Hill's Food, Shelter & Love program and Adopt-a-Thon event Verify legal accuracy for regional automotive ads with Mazda & Volvo Consult on projects from Kansas City, Chicago, & New York offices Earned 8% pay raise in December 2023 for editorial excellence
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TEST EDITOR	ASCEND LEARNING	LEAWOOD, KS	JUNE 2021 - JAN. 2022
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Proofed training materials for the NCLEX/TEAS licensure exams Fact-checked content for accuracy against assessment standards Worked closely with medical experts to refine RN/PN test questions Studied UX feedback to develop better academic resources	Renovated digital testing formats for better UI navigation Assisted with upgrading data management systems for improved Editorial liaison for content integration into new StudyPrep platform
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WRITER & EDITOR	PACE COMMUNICATIONS	GREENSBORO, NC	FEB. 2019 - MARCH 2020
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Developed print and digital copy for over 25 clients, including Walmart, Hilton, & Facebook Brainstormed SEO strategy to implement with new content	Provided copywriting and proofreading support during BB&T and SunTrust merger into Truist Financial Assessed legal information for Verizon 5G rollout deliverables
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ADDITIONAL

REVIEW EDITOR 2024 <i>The Emerson Review</i> Literary Magazine	CONTENT EDITOR 2021 - 2024 <i>My Favorite Trees</i> Educational Podcast
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