Education

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2017-2021 B.A., Journalism and Media B.A., Political Science

Job Proficiencies

Content creation

- Copy and line editing
- Fact-checking
- AP style
- Storywriting
- Brief and template creation

Search engine optimization

- Natural keyword placement
- Google E-E-A-T
- Digital PR processes
- Graphics and UX
- SEMrush tools

Extra skills

- WordPress
- Asana and Airtable
- Generative Al
- Writer/editor relationship

Beyond Work

- Student Mentor, Cincinnati Urban Promise
- Street Outreach Worker, Taste of Grace Ministries
- Founder, Young and Social Cincy Meetup

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Professional Experience

Editor, Home Solutions / June 2022 – Present

- Checks for clarity, accuracy, SEO value and AP style for 220+ commercial pieces
- Edits digital PR stories that attract links from publications such as The Associated Press, Nasdaq, Sports Illustrated, Yahoo Finance, CBS News and the White House
- Increases SEO value and page quality by reviewing 150+ onpage optimizations
- Develops innovative **user experience (UX)** approaches
- Uses generative AI software to produce high-quality pages
- Builds forward-thinking strategies for SEO and content
- Manages interns and freelancers for research and graphics

Content Associate, Three Ships / May 2021 – June 2022

- Wrote 200+ articles for leading media partners
- Edited 150+ stories for clarity, accuracy and style
- Optimized 150+ pieces for SEO-friendliness and readability
- Gained expert knowledge of insurance, loans and finance

Prior Professional Experiences

- Senior Editor, Catalyst / May 2020 May 2021
 - Edited 350+ stories, onboarded new writers and built an in-house style guide
- Copy Editor, The Daily Tar Heel / August 2019 May 2021
 - Edited 200+ pieces, crafted headlines and wrote social media posts
- Scriptwriter, PBS N.C. / August 2020 November 2021
 - Conducted a film shoot, led interviews and put together a final script