IMANI SUMBI

Passionate writer, journalist, and fact checker

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Freelance Fact Checker

Self-Employed, Los Angeles, CA

JULY 2023 - PRESENT

Fact-check 600-6,000 word articles for web and print news magazines; verify the accuracy of all facts using a variety of techniques and sources; issue insightful corrections with an eye toward bias and context. Current/former clients include *In These Times*, *The Baffler*, and *The American Prospect*.

Editorial Intern

The American Prospect, Washington, D.C. (Remote)

JANUARY 2023 - MAY 2023

Fact-checked articles for print and web; wrote and scheduled daily posts to promote stories on social media; wrote **a story** on the contentious state of Black History instruction in public schools; and assisted with additional projects as needed.

Editorial Intern

In These Times, Chicago, IL

SEPTEMBER 2021 - DECEMBER 2021

Fact-checked and proofread articles for print and web; pitched story ideas and headlines for print and web; completed research projects assigned by editors; prepared stories for online publishing; and reviewed submissions for the Leonard C. Goodman Institute for Investigative Reporting.

Editorial Intern

Los Angeles Sentinel & L.A. Watts Times, Los Angeles, CA

JUNE 2019 - AUGUST 2019

Reported, researched, and wrote 1-3 stories per week for the print newspaper; attended press conferences; monitored press communications; posted content to website; designed and disseminated e-newsletters to subscribers; and completed a variety of editorial tasks as needed.

EDUCATION

Northwestern University Medill School of Journalism

Bachelor of Science, Journalism & Asian American Studies (2022)

- Dean's List (2019, 2020)
- Medill Investigative Lab Spring/Summer 2021 Student Reporter
- Editor-in-Chief,
 BlackBoard Magazine
 (January 2020 June 2021)

SKILLS

- Reporting and Writing
- Fact Checking
- Editing
- Editorial and Investigative Research
- Magazine Journalism
- AP Style
- Collaboration
- Critical Thinking
- Social Media
- Microsoft Office
- Google Workspace
- Wordpress
- Craft CMS

AWARDS

Regional Finalist in Online Opinion and Commentary

Society of Professional Journalists Mark of Excellence Award (2019)