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Work Experience

- **PBS NewsHour, Production Assistant** – Arlington, Virginia June 2017-present
 - Wrote broadcast copy for stories on the show's news summary – researched the story, built graphics, found sound bites, cut and edited accompanying video using AVID.
 - Assembled elements for day-of tape utilizing a variety of sources, including pool and ABC feeds, agency footage, social media, our media library and the Defense Department video hub. Guided the visuals of the story by working with correspondents, producers and editors.
 - Wrote articles that were published on the *PBS NewsHour* website, periodically spent shifts as the site's rundown editor, assisted the digital team's breaking news coverage.
 - Backed up the assignment editor during regular and breaking news situations by managing incoming feeds, assembling daybooks, recording pre-tapes and live feeds on our in-house system.
- **PBS NewsHour, Broadcast News Assistant** – Arlington, Virginia July-Dec 2016
 - Wrote dozens of articles that were published on the *PBS NewsHour* website ranging from national and foreign affairs to science and politics. I interviewed sources, reviewed court documents, analyzed data and saw several articles receive over 16,000 shares on Facebook after being shared by the *NewsHour*.
 - Assisted deputy senior producer on field shoots and in production, recommended shots, b-roll and audio that made it to broadcast, gathered elements, researched and compiled dossiers for correspondents and anchors.
 - Utilized newsroom tools like iNews and Avid MediaCentral to edit scripts, insert production cues, monitor newswires, log live events, transcribe video, organize digital files, and add metadata. Also used AutoIngest software to ingest footage from XDCAMs and P2 cards.
 - Assisted anchors and guests during live 6-hour Election Night coverage by monitoring and providing exit poll data updates, marking revised scripts and bringing them to the anchors by coordinating with the stage manager.
- **NBCUniversal, Paid Intern (Morning Joe)** – New York, New York June-Aug 2015
 - Completed studio production tasks including: assisting talent, escorting and handling guests, reserving and tracking transportation, and completing cue sheets/comparison sheets.
 - Shadowed producers, assisted in writing scripts, gathering elements, drafting dossiers and conducting research.
 - Researched and provided story ideas for *Morning Joe* senior producer and *Way Too Early* correspondent.

Education

- **James Madison University** – Harrisonburg, Virginia May 2016
 - B.A. in Political Science, Phi Beta Kappa, magna cum laude
 - Cumulative GPA: 3.74/4.00
 - Activities: Delta Upsilon (VP of Administration), Odyssey Online (staff writer)

Skills and Interests

- Computer Skills: Apple and PC platforms, shooting video, basic video editing, iNews, Avid MediaCentral, AutoIngest, HTML, Microsoft Office, Keynote, social media
- Avid Tennis Player – Ranked #3 in Southern NY State, Boys 18 and under (2011-2012)
- Driver's license