

# BENJAMIN RAPPAPORT

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## EDUCATION

University of North Carolina Chapel Hill

Fall of 2021

*Hussman School of Journalism and Media Journalism Major*

*Politics, Philosophy, and Economics (PPE) Minor Urban Studies and Planning Minor*

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

**Reporting Intern** *Bush Radio*

January 2022-Present

Reported and produced daily radio news packages about local issues impacting Cape Town, South Africa

Hosted weekly on-air show discussing issues of transportation and street design within the Western Cape

**Assistant Opinion Editor** *The Daily Tar Heel*

August 2021-January 2022

Edited and curated daily editorials and columns for the opinion desk surrounding issues affecting UNC

**Staff Reporter** *WCHL*

May 2021-January 2022

Wrote and edited daily web and radio stories about the Orange County community and local governments

Interviewed prominent community leaders to provide readers with important perspectives on local issues

**Carolina Connection Reporter/Producer** *WCHL*

August 2019-August 2021

Wrote, edited and produced 30+ weekly stories and podcasts for radio show

Oversaw production of radio stories for the newsroom by making show rundowns and reviewing story scripts

Conducted in-depth interviews to create meaningful conversations and perspectives for news and podcasts

**Editorial Board Member** *The Daily Tar Heel*

January 2021-August 2021

Authored weekly editorials on behalf of the board and contributed weekly columns about issues affecting Chapel Hill.

**Reporting Intern** *Heart of Waraba*

April 2020-January 2022

Shared stories of global entrepreneurs aimed at solving climate change through written reporting and podcasts

**Podcaster** *Career Up Now*

July 2020-January 2021

Conducted interviews with Israeli professionals for the "Socially Distanced Close Ups: Israeli Addition"

**Clean Tech Intern** *UNC Institute for the Environment*

May 2020-December 2020

Podcast producer for Innovate to Clean Economy Podcast

Wrote blog posts and company profiles about startups in the sustainability space in the Triangle Area

Created animated videos for social media promotion of the podcast using Adobe After Effects

**Undergraduate Student Government Community Service Committee** *UNC-Chapel Hill*

August 2018-December 2020

Encourage community service efforts across campus by working with other Student Government branches

Engaged over 50 community service and social action organizations from around Chapel Hill and Carrboro in community service fair for students and community members

Organized a budget plan of over \$14,000 for annual CarolinaServes event, which aims to maximize the service output of the university

**Community Service/Social Action Chair** *UNC-Chapel Hill Hillel*

March 2018-December 2020

Spearheaded community service efforts and connected Jewish values to 10+ service projects

Planned Annual Good Deeds Day Project for Hillel students and community members

Organized Annual Interfaith Day of Service with other campus ministries for students of all religions to connect through service

## OTHER EXPERIENCES

**Leadership Facilitator** *BBYO*

Summer 2019

Acted as a leader and role model for campers ages 14-17 by supervising their well-being 24-hours a day

Served as teaching assistant during leadership training sessions to pass on skills and experiences to campers

Led programming for campers to encourage thoughtful involvement in future BBYO experiences

## SKILLS & ABILITIES

Broadcast Journalism and Radio Production

News Writing and Interviewing

Proficiency in AP Style

Certified in Adobe Pro Suite Programs

Proficiency in WordPress and SEO design