SIENA GILJUM

Multimedia journalist reporting on lifestyle, culture & politics

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WORK EXPERIENCE: JOURNALISM/COMMUNICATIONS

Politics & Trending News Resident Writer - BuzzFeed.com

JUN 2024 - PRESENT // Los Angeles, CA

- Report the facts and capture reactions to what's happening in politics
- Cut through the noise of the internet to curate what people need to know
- Publish 4 stories per week on deadline, amassing 4M+ monthly pageviews

Legal Assistant – Shireen Burgan, Esq.

AUG 2023 - JUN 2024 // Pasadena, CA

- Drafted and filed court orders, petitions, and other case documents
- E-filed court documents and prepared mailings in an organized manner

Communications Specialist – Boston U. College of Arts & Sciences

FEB 2019 - MAR 2023 // Boston, MA

- Reported on research, international programs, student life, new faculty
- Synthesized media mentions for inclusion on website and in newsletters
- Spearheaded donor appeal video for charitable humanities program

DJ & Podcast Editor/Producer – WTBU, The Beat of Boston U.

JAN 2020 - DEC 2021 // Boston, MA

- Created and hosted Office Hours, an original show spotlighting the professors of BU through weekly interviews and music selections
- Edited and produced a weekly arts podcast (Adobe Audition/Anchor)

Lifestyle/Features Reporting Intern – Los Angeles Times

JUN 2021 - OCT 2021 // Los Angeles, CA

- Covered therapy, plants, skating, hiking and L.A. life with personal voice
- Hosted Instagram takeovers for special events on @latimesplants
- Sourced stories of 20 vanity license plates and conceived an immersive project to showcase L.A.'s most unique plates, cars and drivers

WORK EXPERIENCE: SERVICE

- Bartender Lamplighter Brewing Company · MAR 2022 AUG 2023
- Resident Counselor Summer @ Santa Catalina · SUMMERS 2018-19
- Tour Guide Gibson House Museum · SEP 2018 MAY 2019
- Day Counselor − Rayuela Immersion Camp · JUN AUG 2017

EDUCATION

Boston University College of Communication

Bachelor of Science Boston, MA AUG 2018 - MAY 2022 GPA 3.58

Majors – Journalism; Film & Television

Minor - Spanish

Activities – Stage Troupe (President 2021-22; VP 2019-20), Community Service Center, Kappa Alpha Theta, WTBU radio, BU News Service

Westridge School for Girls

High School Diploma Pasadena, CA AUG 2009 - JUN 2018

Activities – newspaper, theater, student leadership

SKILLS

Adobe Creative Suite

Microsoft Office Suite

Writing & copy editing

Audio & video production

HTML for web/email

Newsletters (Mailchimp)

CPR/AED & First Aid

LANGUAGES

Spanish - proficient

English - fluent