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Experience

The Daily Northwestern | Evanston, Illinois Investigations Editor | 08/2024 - Present

- · Co-lead an investigation on workplace environment issues in Evanston
- Oversee 5+ long-form projects. Edit and guide reporters through their investigative process

Northwestern University Center for Communication and Public Policy | Evanston, Illinois Research Assistant | 08/2024 - Present

- · Conduct background research and content analysis for research project on online attitudes toward foreign policy
- · Write briefs about the center's research and its policymaking implications on artificial intelligence and social media
- · Coordinate guest speakers for in-person lectures and convention

Midstory | Toledo, Ohio

Reporting Intern | 06/2024 - 08/2024

- Pitched, wrote and published solution-oriented features about politics, policy and technology in Midwestern U.S.
- Led interviewing and writing for a data storytelling project on Ohio presidential election history and forecast
- · Produced social media and newsletter content to expand the organization's digital presence

The Daily Northwestern | Evanston, Illinois Print Managing Editor | 03/2024 - 06/2024

- Utilized multi-platform editing skills to prepare stories for the paper's website and biweekly print editions; wrote headlines for print stories
- Co-led coverage of breaking news development with the editor-in-chief, including the protest and encampment against the Israel-Gaza War on campus

The Daily Northwestern | Evanston, Illinois City Editor | 12/2023 - 03/2024

- Led a team of three assistant editors and 20+ beat reporters to produce 15+ stories each week for a core news desk
- · Tracked news development in Evanston; maintained close relationships and regularly met with city stakeholders
- Collaborated with senior editors to launch new initiatives, including a new weekly newsletter

Medill News Service | Washington, District of Columbia Technology Reporter | 09/2023 - 12/2023

- Reported stories on tech policy, focusing on AI, social media regulation and semiconductor manufacturing, and published in national media outlets
- Covered U.S. Senate, House, White House and Supreme Court proceedings regularly on tight deadline
- Pitched and wrote enterprise stories based on research and interviews with lawmakers and industry experts

Education

Northwestern University | Evanston, IL

BS in Journalism, Political Science and Legal Studies | 06/2026

- Dean's List (6/6 quarters)
- Courses: Watchdog Journalism, Medill Investigative Lab, Politics and Presidential Elections, Authoritarian Populism, Congress and the Legislative Process, Applied Policy Analysis, Constitutional Law, Political Communication

Skills

- Investigative Reporting: FOIA Request, Candidate Vetting
- Data Visualization: Datawrapper, Flourish, ArcGIS
- WordPress, Adobe Lightroom, Adobe InDesign
- Mandarin (native)