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Education

Northwestern University, Medill School of Journalism, Chicago

MS in Journalism, Magazine Specialization, GPA 3.73/4.00 | August 2024

DePauw University, Greencastle

Bachelor of Arts, English Writing, Studio Art minor, GPA: 3.63/4.00 | May 2023

Media Fellow: Participant in a program for students to gain experience in media theory, 2020-2023

Awards: DeWitt Wallace-Reader's Digest Print Journalism Award (2022) and Chad Kostel Memorial Scholarship (2022)

Journalism Experience

National Museum of Mexican Art, Radio Producer, Chicago

September 2024 – December 2025

- Captured and edited audio and interview clips for Lumpen Radio show, Wattz Up!
- Reported and scripted for shows under covering topics such as local news, arts and culture, etc.

Block Club Chicago, Editorial Intern, Chicago

May 2025 – August 2025

- Reported and wrote daily and long-feature neighborhood-centric stories citywide
- Captured photographs and video content for daily and long-form feature stories while on assignment

Chicago Reader, Editorial Intern, Chicago

September 2024 – December 2024

- Reported human-interest stories around Chicago within arts and culture sphere
- Assisted staff writers and editors with ongoing projects, investigations, proofing, and more

Chicago Public Media, News Desk Intern, Chicago

June 2024 – September 2024

- Reported on breaking and enterprise news around the Chicago area under beats like criminal justice
- Provided updates ongoing issues and sought out potential alternative stories in the city

Northwestern University Medill School, Medill Reports Journalist, Chicago and Puerto Rico

January 2024 – August 2024

- Reported and wrote content on topics ranging from arts and culture, entertainment, and food
- Field reported Chicago and San Juan and built rapport with national and international sources for assignments

POLITICO, PJI Participant, D.C. and Sacramento

May 2023 – June 2023

- Learned about writing, sourcing, data, ethics, editing, and video and audio storytelling from American University professors and top POLITICO reporters and editors
- Attended career panels with journalists in the industry and toured newsrooms around D.C.

The DePauw, Editor-in-Chief, Entertainment Editor, Managing Editor, Greencastle.

May 2021 – May 2023

- Led editorial board in establishing, upholding, and updating, when necessary, *The DePauw* mission, policies, and practices and made executive decisions with writers on stories
- Maintained entertainment content at *The DePauw* Newspaper with music and movie reviews and established column, Layla Abroad

Walter Cronkite Carnegie-Knight News21 Fellowship, Investigative Journalist, Phoenix

January 2022 - August 2022

- Researched extensively on the topic of police reform throughout the United States and abroad
- Produced two solo articles and assisted with two shared projects from field reports from Washington State