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EDUCATION

- Rutgers University- New Brunswick | Aug. 2014-May 2018
 - Bachelor's Degree with a major in Journalism and Media Studies from the School of Communication and Information
 - Senior Projects: Filmed a documentary investigating an alleged unsafe workplace environment in a local Amazon warehouse, and a mock-up reality television pilot, which was featured as part of a Spring semester journalism video showcase screening.
 - Minored in Portuguese and inducted into the Phi Lamda Delta- Portuguese Honor Society Class of 2018.

SKILLS

- Languages: Bilingual in English and Portuguese
- Multimedia: CMS, WordPress, Adobe Premiere, Final Cut Pro, and iMovie
- Equipment: Canon T6i Rebel with audio and lighting accessories, standalone lighting kit, ring light

EXPERIENCE

TAPINTO.NET, STAFF WRITER

HUDSON COUNTY, NJ | JAN. 2023- JAN. 2025

- Pitched, interviewed, photographed, and wrote roughly 20 stories a week full-time for TAPinto Jersey City, occasionally covering Hoboken, Bayonne, Hamilton, or Robbinsville.
- Covered the respective municipal councils, from the community condemning antisemitic attacks on a Hoboken councilman to redevelopment-related measures meant to revitalize neighborhoods across Jersey City.
- Wrote feature stories about local leaders and civic organizations such as The Flow Initiative and its fight against period poverty in Hudson County and nationwide or The Hudson Pride Center and its efforts to support and uplift the LGBTQ+ community in Jersey City and Hoboken.

NEWSPAPER MEDIA GROUP, STAFF WRITER

HUDSON COUNTY, NJ | DEC. 2019- JAN. 2023

- Worked as a Staff Writer for The Hudson Reporter, Bayonne Community News, Bayonne: Life On The Peninsula Magazine, Jersey City Magazine, and 07030 Hoboken Magazine under the umbrella company of NMG, publishing almost 25 stories a week.
- Wrote articles including those that: spotlighted the efforts of racial activist group Black in Bayonne as they grew to a non-profit in the wake of the police killing of George Floyd; tracked the COVID-19 pandemic featuring insider interviews with top local medical professionals about the state of Hudson County and helpful safety tips; provided watchdog coverage of the mayor, city council, school board, and planning board in Bayonne amid the 2022 municipal elections; highlighted outsider art gallery the Dollhaus II's successful zoning fight to stay open in Bayonne

BAYONNE BRANCH OF THE NAACP, INTERVIEWER

BAYONNE, NJ | NOV. 2022- FEB. 2023

- Collaborated as an interviewer with the Bayonne Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) to incept, produce, film, conduct necessary interviews, shoot relevant B-roll, and gather additional content for the documentary "Moving Us Forward," the 2023 Black History Month program which aired in February on BEN-TV and on social media.

NEW BRUNSWICK TODAY, FREELANCE WRITER AND VIDEOGRAPHER

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ | JAN. 2019- DEC. 2019

- Covered council meetings, campaign events, and more in multiple media formats.

THE DAILY TARGUM, STAFF WRITER AND VIDEOGRAPHER

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ | SEPT. 2014- MAY 2018

- Broke weekly articles including a front-page news story that white supremacists hung recruitment fliers on campus, and weekly videos.

NJ SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL JOURNALISTS' EXCELLENCE IN JOURNALISM AWARDS

- As a Staff Writer for The Hudson Reporter and Bayonne Community News
 - Won 1st Place in 2023 in the Garden State Division for Print for Best Arts and Entertainment Coverage, and for Best Coverage of Municipal Government.
 - Won 2nd Place in 2022 in the Garden State Division for Print for Best Arts and Entertainment Coverage.
 - Won Certificate of Excellence for Outstanding Rookie Reporter in 2021.
- As an Interviewer for the Bayonne Branch of the NAACP
 - Won 2nd Place in 2024 in the Garden State Division for Best Long Documentary