

# Courtney Fiorini

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## Summary

A staunch community reporter with a desire to localize national stories, a passion for public safety reporting who believes people have a right to know what's happening in their communities. Dedicated to community watchdog reporting, investigative reporting, breaking news, features, profiles, blogs, strong social media presence and community outreach.

## Experience

### Crime, Courts and Breaking News Reporter / Globe Gazette

Aug. 2015 – Present

Covering crime, courts and breaking news for 10 counties in North Iowa. My experience includes a wide range of trials and cases as well as watchdog public safety reporting and investigation.

Prior to this beat I was a general assignment reporter. This included covering several topics within the community that sparked wide ranging debates including a pork processing plant locating to the area. This story brought to light issues within the community surrounding agriculture, the environment, economic development and race

I covered presidential candidate visits, the Iowa Caucuses and the 2016 election. I produced special sections on North Iowa entertainment events and an economic development section. I also wrote articles for two special section magazines, which included profiles of Vietnam War and Korean War veterans.

### Freelance Reporter / Quarter Horse News

Dec. 2016 – Present

Wrote reined cow horse championship winner profiles. Helped with year-end and season-end profiles, including statistics for horses and their owners/riders.

### Sports Editor / The Miami Hurricane

May 2014 – May 2015

Managed 20 sports writers, assigned and edited content as well as page layout design. Covered sporting events and live tweeted events. Increased coverage of club and intramural sports.

### Internship / Baltimore City Paper

Dec. 2014 – Jan. 2015

Wrote music and entertainment blurbs. Called sources and businesses to fact check. Searched government documents and police records to aid the editorial process.

### Campus Manager / Whisper App

Aug. 2012 – May 2013

Promoted the app and managed the UMiami Whispers Facebook page. Posted relevant and local whispers to the page. Managed a Twitter and Tumblr page for the campus whispers. Participated in weekly video chats with other campus managers across the country and with the app's founder.

## Education

### University of Miami / B.S. Broadcast Journalism

Aug. 2011 – May 2015

Studied both broadcast print and digital journalism. Minored in History and Religious Studies. In addition to my work as reporter and later editor at the school paper, The Miami Hurricane, I also worked at the school TV station, UMTV. There, I served as a reporter, live correspondent, VSR operator, camera operator, director and writer for SportsDesk.

## Skills

Community journalism, investigative reporting, multimedia reporting, enterprise journalism. public speaking, FOIA, Avid Media Composer, Final Cut Pro, fact checking, editing, AP Style, photography, research, blogging, Adobe Creative Suite., social media strategy and management.