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EDUCATION

University of Georgia

Master of Arts (M.A.) Journalism, GPA 3.9/4.0

08/2019 – 08/2021

- Researched, wrote and edited 170-page thesis on the significance of feminist music video

University of South Carolina Aiken

Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) **Communication**, GPA 3.8/4.0

May 2018

Minor: **Literature**

LIFE Scholarship (4 years) • Lambda Pi Eta (Honor Society for Communication) • Sigma Tau Delta (Honor Society for English) • National Honor Society of Leadership and Success

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

Intro to Health and Medical Journalism • Graduate Newsroom • Editing Skills • Writing Across the Media I, II • Media and Culture • Public Speaking • Visual Communication • Group Communication • Interpersonal Communication • Intercultural Communication • Persuasive Communication • Upper-Level English Courses

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Freelance Journalist

08/2019 – Present

- Published two feature stories in *Georgia Health News* regarding health disparity in rural Georgia as well as a new phone application helping those in addiction recovery
- Published longform story in *The Progressive* magazine about social justice issues surrounding criminalization and education

Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant, UGA | Athens, GA

Media History

01/2021 – 05/2021

- Assisted professor in grading discussions and exams
- Provided administrative assistance to manage lecture-based class

Journalism Ethics and Diversity

08/2020 – 12/2020

- Created weekly quizzes over relevant subject matter
- Assisted professor in grading essays and multimedia news stories
- Developed web-based organizational strategy for filing student work

Health and Medical Journalism program

08/2019 – 05/2020

- Conducted, fact-checked and refined monthly alumni Q&As
- Wrote blogs on program events, e.g., a workshop assisting journalists and young scientists translate complex jargon
- Regularly updated program website using WordPress

Music Intern, Flagpole Magazine | Athens, GA

06/2020 – 08/2020

- Wrote feature stories for Arts & Culture and Music sections
- Wrote weekly album reviews and teasers for song and music video releases

Staff Writer, Copy Editor and Opinion Editor, Pacer Times | USC Aiken

01/2018 – 05/2018

- Pitched and wrote multiple stories under tight weekly deadline in News, Arts & Culture and Opinion
- Edited and proofread copy before publication
- Designed Opinion page for expedition

AWARDS

South Carolina Press Association's News Contest

2018

- 1st place in Feature Story category
- 3rd place in Arts and Entertainment category

Outstanding Student in Philosophy

2018

- Recognized as USCA's top scholar of philosophy

WORK EXPERIENCE

Client Support Specialist, ADP (Automatic Data Processing) | Augusta, GA

06/2018 – 07/2019

- Outsourced payroll solutions to mid-size businesses
- Navigated computer programs to gather the most accessible solution for clients
- Efficiently researched information and notated cases to close in a timely manner

Server, TBoyz | Augusta, GA

02/2017 – 05/2018

- Gave quality service in a high-pressure, fast-paced environment
- Trained new employees regarding server responsibilities
- Performed food preparation duties
- Opened and closed restaurant
- Worked up to 30 hours per week while maintaining full class load

SKILLS

Computer: Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), Working knowledge of Adobe Creative Suite (InDesign, Photoshop, Audition, Premier), Working knowledge of WordPress

Social Media: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter