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Education:

Northwestern University – Medill School of Journalism, Evanston, Illinois

- Bachelor of Science in Journalism with a history double major *Expected graduation June 2020*
- Study abroad at the University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong *August 2018 – December 2018*

Medill-Northwestern Journalism Institute (Cherubs), Evanston, Illinois

- A selective five-week program for 84 rising high school seniors *Summer 2015*

Experience:

North by Northwestern, Evanston, Illinois

Executive Editor

March 2019 – present

- Oversee and manage audio and photo/video sections on behalf of editor-in-chief
- Lead newsroom one night a week in lieu of editor-in-chief
- Edit story drafts, input into CMS (Ghost) and publish finalized stories at nightly newsroom meetings
- Create, draft constitution and serve as Speaker for North by Northwestern's staff legislative forum
- Oversee day-to-day operations of North by Northwestern as second-in-command to editor-in-chief

Politics and Audio Reporter

September 2016 – present

- Research and report web stories and report, record and edit podcast episodes for AskNBN
- Host, edit and produce Can't Let Go, a biweekly podcast on news and personal stories we can't let go of

Managing Editor

March 2018 – March 2019

- Oversaw audio and science and tech sections on behalf of Editor-in-Chief
- Edited story drafts, input into CMS (Django) and published finalized stories at nightly newsroom meetings
- Assisted in day-to-day operations of North by Northwestern

Audio Section Editor

March 2017 – December 2017

- Edited podcasts, lead and managed team of reporters and brainstormed show and episode ideas
- Oversaw podcast distribution through iTunes, Spotify and Google Play

90.5 WESA, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Newsroom Intern

June 2018 – August 2018

- Covered a wide variety of stories around Pittsburgh as a general assignment reporter
- Pitched and reported longer features on local air quality and the supposed monopoly of Giant Eagle
- Pitched and reported three mini-features for the ongoing Pittsburgh Tech Report series
- All stories included a reader, cut copy, and wrap for broadcast paired with a more in-depth web version incorporating photography and other multimedia
- Edited audio for broadcast and photos and videos for online, ran tape syncs

Medill News Service (Northwestern's Medill on the Hill program), Washington, D.C.

Politics Reporter

January 2018 – March 2018

- Primarily covered same-day breaking news from the U.S. Capitol such as committee hearings and the State of the Union in addition to pitching and reporting several longer features
- Traveled to the greater Pittsburgh area several times as part of a team of three reporters covering the 2018 special election in Pennsylvania's 18th congressional district
- Updated stories in real-time from the field using Twitter, Snapchat, and Facebook Live
- Work featured on both the Medill on the Hill website and with media partners including USA Today, UPI, The Frederick News-Post, and The Bend Bulletin

Charleston City Paper, Charleston, South Carolina

Editorial Intern

June 2017 – September 2017

- Reported stories on arts and culture and wrote City Picks on upcoming local events
- Administered and updated events calendar

Skills and Organizations:

- Adobe Audition, InDesign, Premiere, and Photoshop; WordPress, Microsoft Office suite
- Social Chair, Northwestern chapter of National Association of Hispanic Journalists