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RELATED EXPERIENCE

Burlington Free Press – Burlington, VT

Reporter

January 2016 - August 2019

- Responsible for pitching, reporting, writing and producing a mix of daily and enterprise stories about domestic violence, addiction, housing and homelessness; responsible for daily beat reporting and breaking news coverage while developing investigative deep-dives. Previous beats included Burlington City Hall, state politics, police and immigration.
- Developing and producing stories that lead to change while also driving audience engagement.
- Drafting public records requests and appeals to drive reporting.
- Using data journalism skills to enhance reporting; supporting newsroom with data analysis.

New England Center for Investigative Reporting - Boston, MA

Reporting Intern

April 2014 – December 2014

- Searched public records, court documents, and databases to investigate story tips and find sources that formed the basis of a
 co-bylined story on private mortgage insurance published on the front page of the Boston Globe on 1/18/2015.
- Produced website content designed to spotlight investigations and helped create multimedia visions for text stories.
- Curated a blog of the best investigative reporting from around the country, boosting NECIR's social media engagement and raising website impressions.

Commonwealth Magazine - Boston, MA

Intern/Guest Contributor

June 2014 – September 2014

• Wrote public policy and politics-focused articles for website and print magazine.

WERS 88.9 F. M. – Boston, MA

News Team/You Are Here Reporter-Producer

December 2013 - August 2014

- · Produced, reported, wrote, and edited long-form packages for WERS's AP-award winning public affairs program, You Are Here.
- Produced entire hour-long programs on topics ranging from transportation to Israel-Hamas conflict.

Emerson College's Writing and Academic Resource Center - Boston, MA

Journalism Graduate Writing Tutor

September 2013 – May 2015

- Tutored students on structure, grammar and writing fluency.
- Assisted students with disabilities and ESL students as needed.

Baltimore School for the Arts - Baltimore, MD

English Teacher

September 2009-June 2010

• Taught a ninth-grade magnet school English class composed of students from diverse backgrounds.

AWARDS

- Best Local Story 2018 Vermont Press Association Awards, for a package on the failures of the system to save a domestic violence victim.
- First Place, Environmental Reporting 2016 New England Better Newspaper Competition, for a story on Vermont being ill-prepared for emerging contaminants in drinking water.
- First Place, Breaking News Category 2016 Annual USA Today Network Journalism Awards, for team coverage of a fatal police-involved shooting of a mentally ill man in his apartment.
- 2016 New England First Amendment Institute Fellow.
- Graduate Student Excellence Award 2015 Emerson College Journalism Department.

SKILLS

- Advanced Microsoft Excel.
- Intermediate Python for data analysis and web scraping.
- · Mining databases to strengthen reporting, including LexisNexis, PACER, state court files and property records.
- Public records requests and building stories from documents and data.
- Using social media such as Twitter in breaking news situations to push out news and using Twitter and Facebook to find sources.

EDUCATION

Emerson College

Master of Arts in Multimedia Journalism

May 2015

Johns Hopkins University Bachelor of Arts in The Writing Seminars Graduated with honors

May 2009