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EDUCATION

Northwestern University | Evanston, IL

Expected June 2026

B.S. in Journalism, Political Science

Dean's List (6/6 quarters)

Coursework: Watchdog Journalism, Medill Investigative Lab, Politics and Presidential Elections, Rise of Authoritarian Populism, Congress and the Legislative Process, Applied Policy Analysis, Constitutional Law, Political Communication

Severn School | Severna Park, MD

June 2022

High School Diploma

Activities: Cum Laude Society, National Honors Society and Math Honors Society member; school newspaper's editor-in-chief; math team captain

EXPERIENCE

Midstory | Toledo, OH

June 2024 - Present

Reporting Intern

- Pitch and write solution-oriented features about politics, policy and technology in Midwestern U.S.
- · Lead interviewing and writing for data-driven project on presidential elections in Ohio
- · Produce content for social media and newsletter to help expand the organization's digital presence

The Daily Northwestern | Evanston, IL

March 2024 - June 2024

Print Managing Editor

- Edited 5+ print stories each night for the paper's campus, city, A&E, sports and opinion sections
- Organized the nightly budget and wrote headlines for the biweekly print issue
- Served as supervisor and liaison to the editor-in-chief for the city editor and reporters

The Daily Northwestern | Evanston, IL

December 2023 - March 2024

City Editor

- Led a team of three assistant editors and 20+ beat reporters to produce 15+ stories each week for a core news desk
- Edited and published stories on WordPress and coordinate visuals for stories nightly
- Tracked news development and maintained close relationship with city officials and community stakeholders
- · Collaborated with senior editors to launch new initiatives, including a new weekly newsletter

Medill News Service | Washington, District of Columbia

August 2023 - December 2023

Technology Reporter

- Wrote 10+ stories on tech policy, with a focus on AI, social media regulation and semiconductor manufacturing
- Reported on U.S. Senate and House committee hearings regularly on tight deadline
- Interviewed lawmakers and industry experts and conducted research to write long-form enterprise stories

The Daily Northwestern | Evanston, IL

January 2023 - June 2023

Assistant City Editor and Beat Reporter

- Pitched and reported 2-3 stories each week on the City Council and local politics beat
- Edited stories 3 nights each week and managed the desk with city editor
- · Covered breaking news and community events on quick turnaround

SKILLS

- WordPress, Datawrapper, Adobe Lightroom, Swift (coding language)
- FOIA requests, political candidate vetting, campaign finance analysis
- Mandarin (native)