# TITUS WU

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# SKILLS HIGHLIGHTS

- Speaking proficiency in Mandarin
- Intermediate-level Spanish reading, writing and speaking
- Simple video editing with Premiere Pro, Movie Maker
- Data analysis with Excel, SQL
- DSLR camera usage
- Infogram, Flourish (graphics)
- Audio editing and recording with Ableton, Auditon

## WORK EXPERIENCE

#### State Government Reporter | Columbus Dispatch | Current

• Reporting for all of USA Today's Ohio papers, with a focus on issues relevant to northeast Ohio for Akron Beacon-Journal, Canton Repository

#### Statehouse Reporter | Topeka Capital-Journal | Sept. 2020 – May 2021

- Kept track of state legislation, politics for all of Kansas' USA Today papers
- Wrote weekly, short-turn-around enterprise pieces examining the effects of Kansas' policies and government outside the capitol

#### Business Reporting Intern | Austin American-Statesman | Summer 2020

- Focused on daily coverage of funding rounds, acquisitions and other business moves in Austin's tech and small business scene
- Pitched enterprise pieces examining COVID-19's business impact State Government Reporter | Columbia Missourian | Spring 2018, 2020
- Tracked legislation and hearings in the Missouri state legislature
- Produced an investigative piece into Missouri's debt imprisonment, which helped lead to a Missouri Supreme Court ruling and new state legislation on jailing people over unpaid fees and fines

#### General Assignment Intern | Newsday | Summer 2019

 Uncovered Long Island story tips and news, such as a top cop's retirement and a drainage project, alongside soft features on the side

#### Production Intern | POLITICO Europe | Spring 2019

- Handled social media and engaged readers for Brussels publication; created graphics, designed pages and packaged stories for website
  Assistant City Editor | Columbia Missourian | Summer 2018
- Assigned and edited stories for Columbia's daily paper managed by
- professional editors and staffed by Missouri journalism school students
- Helped oversee and coordinate paper's breaking news coverage of Gov. Eric Greitens's resignation and 2018 primary elections

#### AAJA Intern | Pasadena Star-News | Summer 2017

- Covered all of Los Angeles's San Gabriel Valley with a focus on Asian American issues, with bylines also in the San Gabriel Valley Tribune
- Wrote an in-depth enterprise into food deserts plaguing the city of El Monte and how a new L.A. County law on corner markets would impact

## EDUCATION

#### University of Missouri, Columbia

Bachelor of Arts in Journalism, with emphasis on Print/Digital Investigative Reporting

Minors in Sociology and Spanish Graduated May 2020

## OF NOTE

**AAJA member** and JCamp (its high school summer program) alumnus

Discovery Fellow, MU Honors College, 2016 to 2018 Assisted J-school professor in her research of the media and the Ferguson protests

## RECOGNITION

Walter Williams Scholar: Missouri School of Journalism's top scholars

SPJ Mark of Excellence Award 2017 and 2018 Region 7 Finalist

2019 Missouri Press Association First place, multimedia reporting; First place, best story about rural life or agriculture; Honorable mention, best investigative reporting

### REFERENCES

#### **Barry Harrell**

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