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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

INSIDER | NEW YORK CITY, N.Y. | **Cannabis and Psychedelics Reporter, Cannabis Reporting Fellow** **Jan. 2020 - Present**

Insider, formerly known as Business Insider, is a finance and business news site based in New York.

- **Healthcare Reporter** (June 2022 - Present): Writes daily and feature stories on the neuroscience, mental health and psychedelics industries; focused on uncovering and explaining the future of treatments for mental health and other brain disorders
- **Cannabis and Psychedelics Reporter** (Aug. 2020 - June 2022): Writes daily and feature stories on the cannabis and psychedelics industries; covered the battle over patents in the psychedelics space, the financial happenings of the biggest public and private companies, investment trends, clinical trial research, and philanthropists funding psychedelics research
- **Cannabis Reporting Fellow** (Jan. 2020 - June 2020): Wrote breaking news and feature stories on the US and global cannabis industry; reported on quarterly earnings, mergers and acquisitions, venture capital funding, and legislative reform; also covered psychedelics and coronavirus news

THE GLOBE & MAIL | TORONTO, O.N. | **Summer Business Reporter** **June 2020 - Aug. 2020**

The Globe and Mail is Canada's largest circulation national newspaper.

- Reported and wrote stories for the Globe and Mail's Report on Business vertical; responsible for pitching, reporting, and writing articles on daily business news and longer features around startups, real estate, small businesses, and personal finance; wrote an 1800-word feature on the coronavirus' effects on Canadian tourism, which was published on the cover of the ROB section

NEWSDAY | LONG ISLAND, N.Y. | **Editorial Board Intern** **July 2019 - Sept. 2019**

Newsday is an American daily newspaper that serves Nassau and Suffolk counties and the New York City borough of Queens.

- Wrote columns and editorials for Newsday's Editorial page; responsible for daily pitching, reporting, fact-checking and writing articles under tight deadlines; wrote opinion pieces and editorials about the 2020 presidential race, Capital One data breach, and 2019 antitrust probes into Google and Facebook; assisted production for Newsday podcast "Levittown"

THE PAVLOVIC TODAY | WASHINGTON, D.C. | **Political News Writer** **Oct. 2017 - April 2018**

The Pavlovic Today is an independent political news site that covers international politics, current events, and the White House.

- Proposed, researched, and wrote 3-4 articles a week on East Asian politics with a main focus on the Korean peninsula; covered North Korea's ICBM launches and cyber attacks, public reactions to the inter-Korean summit, POTUS' 2017 Asia-Pacific trip
- Wrote on tight deadlines off of White House press transcripts, pool reports, and live streams; covered press briefings, POTUS' domestic and international trips, Senate Judiciary Committee's interview of Glenn Simpson and Donald Trump Jr.

EDUCATION

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM | NEW YORK CITY, N.Y. **Aug. 2018 - May 2019**

Master of Science. Focus on political and business journalism with a specialization in U.S. immigration policy and podcasting

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO | TORONTO, CANADA **Sept. 2013 - June 2017**

Honors Bachelor of Arts and Science. Graduated with distinction as an English Literature Specialist

SCIENCES PO | PARIS, FRANCE **Sept. 2015 - May 2016**

Political Science and International Relations Exchange Program. Coursework in political science and international relations

SKILLS AND AWARDS

Languages: English, Korean

Other Experience: Editor (10 Magazine | June 2016 - July 2018 | Seoul, South Korea), Editorial Intern (Books Magazine | Spring 2016 | Paris, France), Contributing writer (SCMP, BUST, Hektoen International, Naver), Fixer & translator (Beyond Human Boundaries)

Awards: Nominated for Microdose's Reporter of the Year Award 2021, AAJA Facebook Scholarship 2019, Marilyn Laurie Scholarship 2019, Columbia Journalism School Scholarship 2018