# DANIEL WU

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## EDUCATION

## Stanford University

BA History 2021 MA Communications 2022 4.0 GPA Graduated with Award of Excellence for service to university

## AWARDS

#### Mark of Excellence

Society of Professional Journalists Apr. 2021

Won regional first place in general news reporting for college newspapers for feature on Stanford Hospital's battle with COVID-19 for The Stanford Daily.

#### California Journalism Award

California News Publishers Association May 2021

Won fourth place in coverage of youth and education for enterprise follow-up on teachers accused of sexual assault at San Jose high school for the Mercury News.

## SKILLS

### Languages:

Mandarin Chinese (speaking proficiency) **Multimedia:** 

Adobe Premier Pro, Photoshop,, Illustrator, InDesign, Tableau, Final Cut Pro

#### **Programming:**

HTML, Javascript, Python and R

## EMPLOYMENT

#### **The Washington Post**, Metro Intern Washington, DC

June 2022 - Current

- Led coverage of Prince George's County's primary elections. Lead wrote election day coverage of county executive's victory, pitched investigation on staff shortages at polling places, interviewed 39 candidates for a voter guide.
- Pitch and report local enterprise, including local centerpieces on a Chinese farmhouse turned into a W. Va. nonprofit, remembrance of a Md. lynching victim and investigation into pandemic's impact on regional fireworks companies prior to July 4.
- Contributed live reporting for DC primary elections and Supreme Court protest coverage.

#### The Seattle Times, Metro Intern

June 2021 - Aug. 2021

- Seattle, WA
  - Covered Seattle's reopening, mayoral election and late summer COVID-19 surge.
  - Pitched feature on Seattle Chinatown's reopening, the newspaper's only non-crime coverage of Chinatown over the summer, and covered breaking news of Washington surpassing 500k COVID-19 cases.
  - For homelessness desk, after same-day coverage of encampment sweep, pitched a follow-up investigation on low homeless shelter referral rates that generated 50k page views and 22 subscriptions.
  - For education desk, pitched A1 investigation on poor funding and staffing in Seattle's child care industry and the region's only coverage of Asian American language schools' recovery from the pandemic.

# **The San Jose Mercury News**, Metro Intern San Jose, CA

June 2020 - Aug. 2020

- Covered the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, heatwaves and wildfires on the Bay Area.
- Combined own field reporting and feeds to lead write next-day coverage of wildfire evacuations, covered county health orders and press conferences and contributed reporting on families and businesses affected by heatwaves and smoke.
- Pitched series of centerpiece features on how schools and low-income students adapted to virtual learning. Also wrote about international students unable to return home during the pandemic and the impact of a WeChat ban on the Bay Area's Chinese community.
- Assisted in managing state-wide COVID-19 tracking dashboard, compiling case data from 58 county websites.

## The Stanford Daily, Senior Staff Writer Stanford, CA

Sept. 2017 - June 2022

Previous roles: Magazine Editor, News Desk Editor, Graphics Editor, Staff Writer, Designer

- On campus news beat, covered student protests, investigated safety issues at campus construction sites that led to review of site policies, and pitched feature about doctors first encountering COVID at Stanford Hospital.
- As news editor, edited and coordinated daily coverage on the campus news beat during Stanford's first term of online instruction in the pandemic, publishing 60 articles. As magazine editor, edited and coordinated longform assignments and developed The Daily's first digital magazine launch on a custom-designed webpage.
- On football beat, wrote weekly game previews, report on congressional probe into coaching pay, and enterprise profiling players and coach's handling of racial justice discussions.

#### Time Out Shanghai, Reporting Intern Shanghai, China

June 2018 - Sept. 2018

- Wrote lifestyle features and local news on general assignment.
- Pitched enterprise on local video games businesses, interviewed and researched in Mandarin.
- Managed social media accounts, SEO optimization and subscriber newsletters.