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EDUCATION

Columbia University, Columbia College, New York, NY

Expected May 2024

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and French & Francophone Studies (Double Major)

Columbia University Dean's List (x5), GPA 4.0

WORK EXPERIENCE

ABC22 & FOX44 News, Nexstar Media Group, Burlington, VT

June 2023–Present

Broadcast Reporting Intern

- Independently pitch, shoot, write, edit, and produce daily news packages for the station's evening newscasts
- Conduct MOS interviews, document public events, and assist reporters with newsgathering activities in the field
- Write, edit, and publish stories to the station's digital website

NBC News, New York, NY

September–December 2022

Intern, Digital Video

- Led the footage gathering and research processes for multiple Digital Documentary projects, such as "Boiling Point: Jackson's decades long fight for clean water"
- Contributed to video script writing by incorporating facts and pairing corresponding video and sound elements
- Managed communication between producers, video editors, and local affiliates to organize interviews and archives

NBC News, Washington, D.C.

June–August 2022

Intern, *Meet the Press*

- Created daily research packets for guests and show topics by analyzing relevant publications and past appearances
- Produced show elements by editing video, locating archival footage, and logging and verbating tapes
- Pitched guests, stories, and interview topics for the show through drafting potential questions and elements

Spectrum News NY1, New York, NY

January–April 2022

Political News Intern

- Conducted research and wrote scripts for Inside City Hall, a nightly primetime talk show on national and local politics
- Wrote and published summaries of anchor interviews on the NY1 website for digital content
- Edited, transcribed, and logged video for NY1 political reporters and their stories

Loudoun Now News, Leesburg, VA

June–August 2021

News Reporting Intern

- Wrote, edited, and published stories covering local political affairs and events throughout Loudoun County; wrote a breaking story on the renaming of a local road that was featured on the front page of the print paper
- Conducted in-person interviews and took professional photos of venues and events to be featured in articles
- Proofread all stories for the weekly print edition, shadowing reporters throughout the publishing process

LEADERSHIP AND PROJECTS

Columbia Political Review (CPR), New York, NY

October 2020–Present

Senior Editor, *2021-Present*; Staff Writer, *2020*

- Lead a team of five writers in brainstorming, writing, and publishing two articles a semester for Policy 360, a foreign policy roundtable which assesses contemporary political issues from the perspectives of various countries
- Proofread and edit writers' pieces to improve grammar, content, and organization, following the CPR style guide
- Wrote, edited, and published a feature article on the 2021 Virginia gubernatorial election

Columbia Daily Spectator, New York, NY

July 2020–February 2022

City News Reporter

- Reported on and published eight articles about city, state, and national matters, such as NYC mayoral politics
- Corresponded with elected officials and local community leaders to conduct interviews
- Aggregated information from historical research, interviews, and data to develop unique angles for stories

SKILLS

Languages: French (Fluent), Mandarin (Advanced), Spanish (Advanced)

Computer: Adobe Premiere Pro, Professional video-shooting, WordPress, iNews, MediaCentral, Microsoft Office, Google Suite