# Alex Koller

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## Education

# HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Bachelor's in Government, Minor in History, GPA: 3.9/4.0 John Harvard Scholar (2021-2022). Coursework in science journalism with Michael Pollan. Served as leading editor and development director at nation's oldest daily college newspaper. AAJA member.

## Experience

## CNBC

## Incoming Digital News Associate

- Pitch and report breaking and enterprise business news content for CNBC.com and CNBC Make It.
- Produce TV programs and videos, including scripting and booking guests.

## THE BOSTON GLOBE

## News Reporting Intern

• Cover regional breaking and trending stories, including for A1 and the Metro section cover, as the sole intern on the Express Desk, the Globe's digital news arm.

## PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

## **News Reporting Intern**

- Wrote nearly 30 stories, nine of which appeared on A1, garnering more than 60,000 page views and localizing national issues such as inflation, public health, abortion access, and K-12 and higher education.
- Contributed breaking news coverage of Roe v. Wade's overturning in a front-page story on local leaders' reactions.
- Filed state Right-to-Know request and completed FOIA training.

## Leadership and Activities

## THE HARVARD CRIMSON

## Director of News Training

- Led weekly lectures and activities for 60+ new reporters on topics including journalism fundamentals, ethics, breaking news, investigations, and data reporting.
- Responsible for assigning 10+ time-sensitive stories to reporters-in-training each week.

## Associate News Editor

- Produced more than a dozen papers, and edited and fact-checked articles, photo captions, and social media posts.
- Supervised 15+ beat reporters, assigned 10+ stories per week to writers, and advised an investigative team. **Reporter** February 2020 – December 2021
  - Wrote 90 daily, feature, and breaking news stories on campus issues, pandemic policies, and top Harvard leadership.
  - Interviewed the Dean of Harvard College monthly as one of the paper's two College Administration reporters.
  - Covered national stories including Rep. Elise Stefanik's removal from the Harvard Institute of Politics' Senior Advisory Committee and Professor Cornel West's tenure dispute and departure from the university.
  - Assumed two beats as the Gender and Health Services reporter in 2020, covering student activism and financial strains facing health care providers.
  - Pitched and penned a story on student-athlete mental health during the pandemic that *The New York Times* featured as "a good read" in its Education Briefing newsletter.

## Skills and Interests

**Technical:** Proficiency in Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint), CMS, Figma, R analysis, Adobe InDesign. **Language:** Conversational speaker in Japanese, studied abroad in Kanazawa via Princeton University. **Artistic:** Classical violist (former two-time member of National Youth Orchestra of the USA), trained Shakespearean actor.

Cambridge, MA May 2023

Englewood Cliffs, NJ Starting October 2023

June – August 2023

Boston, MA

Pittsburgh, PA

June – August 2022

Cambridge, MA

December 2021 – December 2022

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