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REPORTING EXPERIENCE

News Intern

June 2019 – Aug. 2019; Jan. 2021 - Present

Charlottesville Tomorrow | Charlottesville, VA

As a news intern at Charlottesville Tomorrow — Charlottesville's only nonprofit news publication — I report on local stories with an eye for equity to provide free and trusted public service journalism to the community.

Key Responsibilities:

- Write several stories per week on public education, transportation, land use and local government.
- Narrate and produce podcast news clips in partnership with WTJU, the local public radio station.
- Collaborate with the newsroom team to produce investigative and visually engaging digital journalism.
- Develop trusted source networks among community members, leaders and government officials.
- Format and publish stories on WordPress, the publication's content management system.

News Editor

Jan. 2020 – Jan. 2021

The Cavalier Daily | Charlottesville, VA

My term as news editor for The Cavalier Daily established the University of Virginia's independent student newspaper as a voice of truth amid the chaos of the COVID-19 pandemic. Without a higher education reporter at any Charlottesville newspaper, the news section offered the main source of U.Va.-focused virus coverage in Charlottesville. Accordingly, unique pageviews for news section content increased by 12.54% in 2020, in comparison to 2019 pageviews.

Key Responsibilities:

- Assigned, edited and published all news content for the University of Virginia's independent student newspaper.
- Instructed a newsroom of 30 writers in reporting fundamentals, AP Style, professionalism and news writing.
- Collaborated with managing board editors for story publication online and in print to a circulation of 7,500 readers.

Breaking News Intern

June 2020 – Aug. 2020

Richmond Times-Dispatch | Richmond, VA

- Reported full-time on local protests against racial injustice, the removal of Richmond's ubiquitous Confederate iconography, the COVID-19 pandemic and other breaking stories.
- Live Tweeted breaking news and events to reach audiences of over 15,000 users, based on Twitter analytics.
- Navigated BLOX Total CMS content management system to write and publish stories.

General Assignment Intern

Aug. 2019 – Dec. 2019

C-VILLE Weekly | Charlottesville, VA

- Brainstormed and reported local stories on strict deadlines about the Charlottesville-Albemarle locality for publication in print and online.
- Compiled concise and engaging news briefings containing the week's top stories.

EDUCATION

University of Virginia | Bachelor of Arts in Media Studies and Government

Aug. 2017 – Dec. 2020

- GPA: 3.84/4.0
- Echols Scholar and recipient of the R.H. Melton First Amendment Scholarship; Cavalier Daily Alumni Assoc./Virginia Press Assoc. Scholarship; Boston Globe Free Press Scholarship; Patrick Sean Murphy Memorial Scholarship

SKILLS

Google Trends | Adobe Audition | Adobe Premier | Copy editing | Python | HTML and CSS | Filing FOIA requests