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Experience

The Modesto Bee *Modesto, Calif.*

June 2020 — June 2022

*Economic Development and Housing Reporter via **Report for America***

- Beat reporter covering economic development and its impacts and housing in Stanislaus County and the Northern San Joaquin Valley; reported on national housing and economic trends for a local audience and spotlighted community issues in daily reporting, feature stories and investigative projects
- California News Publishers Association 2020 Awards: won fourth place for in-depth reporting for a joint feature on PPP loan distribution and first place for team coverage of the fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Report for America 2020-22 corps member, a selective national program of emerging journalists bolstering coverage in local newsrooms

The Washington Monthly *Washington, D.C.*

Jan. — June 2020

Reporting Intern

- Pitched, researched and reported long-form digital stories, fact-checked and copy-edited print and online pieces, wrote social copy to promote all published articles and new issues of the magazine
- Maintained the politics blog *Political Animal*, copy-edited three blog posts a day and wrote social copy to engage readers

The Daily Northwestern *Evanston, Ill.*

Sept. 2016 — Dec. 2019

Print Managing Editor; prev. various

- Edited all print content; enforced efficient workflow in the newsroom, oversaw personnel management and ran the newsroom in absence of the editor-in chief. Previous: City Editor, Web Editor, Digital Projects Editor, Development & Recruitment Editor.
- [Wrote 200+ articles](#) covering local and state politics, with a focus on the Evanston city council and community relations

Westside Seattle *Seattle, Wash.*

June — Sept. 2019

Reporting Intern

- Covered Port of Seattle transportation, local events and wrote features on community issues for *The West Seattle Herald*

NU Alumni Relations Office *Evanston, Ill.*

June — Aug. 2018

Marketing and Communications Intern

- Developed original content for alumni-specific newsletters and interactive quizzes; consolidated alumni news and wrote social copy; created Doors of Northwestern quiz (played 1000+ times)

Medill News Service *Washington, D.C.*

Jan. — March 2018

Business and Politics Reporter

- Covered Congress and government agencies in real-time and through enterprise reporting, produced daily and long-form stories and live updates for the website and social channels, earned bylines for "Market Watch," "UPI" and "Sojourners"

Medill Cherub Program *Evanston, Ill.*

June — Aug. 2017

Community Associate

- Edited stories and taught classes for 82 rising high school seniors at the Medill-Northwestern Journalism Institute, a highly selective summer journalism intensive; led field trips, planned social events and managed finances; 2015 alumna of the program

Education

Northwestern University

March 2020

Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications

Bachelor of Science in Journalism, double major in Political Science, minor in Legal Studies

- Relevant coursework: Magazine Writing, Journalism Ethics, Congress and the Legislative Process, Constitutional Law I and II

Skills

- Native proficiency in German; intermediate Spanish
- AP Style, Adobe Illustrator, InDesign and Photoshop, basic HTML/CSS, Datawrapper data visualization, Wordpress, Google Analytics, SEO, Social Media