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AWARDS

National Press Foundation
2022 Statehouse Reporting Fellow

Maryland-Delaware-D.C. Press Association Awards

2021: Best of Show/1st place for breaking news
"George Floyd protests in Wilmington"

2021: 1st place for Wild Card: Coronavirus in community frontlines
"As coronavirus took elderly lives, 30 percent of Delaware Nursing homes failed to follow proper steps"

2020: 1st place for medical reporting
"Fertility preservation gives more child cancer patients hope for parenthood"

2019: Best of Show/1st place for features-driven multimedia storytelling
"Saving Grace"

2018: 1st Place for feature story (non-profile)
"Unplugged: Life without social media"

EDUCATION

Syracuse University
S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications

B.S. Newspaper and Online Journalism, 2015, cum laude

Double minor in political science and management studies

SKILLS

- FOIA
- AP Style
- Pacer
- Nexis
- Excel
- Final Cut Pro
- Adobe Suite
- Facebook Live
- Photography
- Panel moderator
- Twitter
- Instagram

PROFILE

A driven, innovative and award-winning reporter whose storytelling often receives national attention. A journalist who is able to seamlessly jump from breaking news to health coverage to politics and pop culture, all while juggling long-term enterprise projects that are buoyed by data and provide a revelatory look at the community.

Dedicated to local journalism, specifically holding those in power accountable while also seeking solutions to the state's most pressing issues. Aggressive in pursuing every story, yet leads with both curiosity and empathy.

EXPERIENCE

The News Journal • Wilmington, Delaware • June 2017 - Present
State Investigative Reporter
Health Reporter

Covers *the General Assembly and politics* in Delaware, with a focus on enterprise reporting. Regularly reports scoops and investigative pieces, including on Delaware's lack of oversight on long-term care facilities.

Lead reporter for *COVID-19 pandemic coverage*, juggling breaking news and enterprise stories • investigated how nursing homes failed to protect residents throughout the pandemic • reported on racial disparities of the COVID-19 vaccine distribution, which held state officials accountable • organized COVID-19 project, engaged with readers to submit letters about pandemic experiences

Covered *Joe Biden presidential campaign* through the lens of his relationship with Delaware, including Democratic National Convention and inauguration • scooped national media on Joe Biden and Kamala Harris delivering their DNC speeches in Wilmington • asked Biden questions during nationally televised press conferences, including having certain questions gain coverage on numerous national media news outlets

Published a *year-long enterprise project* that provided a revelatory look into the Amish and their unique health care issues • covers breaking news events in the area for USA Today Network, including George Floyd protests in Wilmington and aftermath of Tree of Life shooting in Pittsburgh

The Capital • Annapolis, Maryland • January 2016 - June 2017
General Assignment Reporter

Wrote three to five stories a week, including breaking news, blog posts, features and Naval Academy news

The Kansas City Star • Kansas City, Missouri • Summer 2015
Features Intern

Wrote enterprise stories and blog posts • pitched covering local contestant on "The Bachelorette," which became the site's most popular stories

The Daily Orange • Syracuse, New York • May 2014 - May 2015
Managing Editor

The No. 1 independent, student-run daily college newspaper in the country