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EXPERIENCE:

The Greenville Advocate, Greenville, Ala., June 2012 - April 2018

Managing editor, October 2016 - April 2018

- Led editorial team of eight writers and editors across five weekly and bi-weekly publications, including the Greenville Advocate, Butler Express, Butler County News, Luverne Journal and Lowndes Signal (circulation of approximately 24,000)
- Generated an average of 10 bylines per week (of 500 words or more) consisting of news, features, columns and sports
- Conceived, developed and published numerous special sections, including the seasonal Camellia Magazine, annual editions such as Profile (a thematic feature on the unique people, places and things of Butler County), etc. These special sections regularly resulted in an increased readership and ad revenue.

Sports editor, April 2014 – October 2016

- Lead sports reporter for Butler County's seven area schools with daily reporting across seven different sports
- Spearheaded publication of the company's annual football magazine, the second-largest publication of the year, with a readership of about 24,000

Entertainment editor, August 2014 – October 2016

• Wrote and edited approximately 50 stories of 700 words or more for montly entertainment page featuring film, video game and comic book reviews

General assignment reporter, December 2012 – April 2014

• Wrote at least 10 stories weekly averaging 500 words or more; covered education, crime, human interest and sports beats. Also shot photos accompanying all stories across every section of the paper.

Tropolitan, Troy University's Student Newspaper, August 2008 –2013

Web Technician

• Copy edited hundreds of stories and created new headlines with search engine optimization as a priority, posted stories to school's CMS

Arts and Entertainment Editor

• Wrote approximately 180 stories of 500-1200 words; responsible for researching potential stories for the A&E section, assigning stories to staff and ensuring timely publication of weekly section

EDUCATION:

Troy University, Troy, AL, August 2007 – 2013

Bachelor of Science in Print Journalism

Graduation Date: May 2013

GPA 3.0

Relevant Courses: Reporting, Advanced Editing and Design and Technologies in Journalism

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Graduation Date: May 2011

GPA~3.0

Relevant Courses: Software Engineering, Web Development and Data Structures

SKILLS:

• C++, Java, C#, php and MySQL programming languages, extensive knowledge of video game culture and industry

HONORS:

- 2016 Alabama Press Association Better Newspaper Contest 1st-place award for best feature photo, 2nd-place awards for best sports news in-depth coverage and best headline, 3rd-place award for best sports coverage
- <u>2017 Alabama Press Association Better Newspaper Contest</u> 1st-place awards for best local sports column and best Feature photo, 2nd-place awards for best feature photo, best headline and best sports single event story and 3rd-place awards for best sports feature story and best sports photo