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objective

Journalist with technical/scientific background and strong writing, research, data analysis, mapping and data visualization skills looking to expand media experience.

education

University of Colorado at Boulder, School of Journalism and Mass Communication
Master of Arts in Newsgathering (Dec. 2010)
Graduate Certificate in Environment, Policy + Society

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA
Bachelor of Science in Aeronautic and Astronautic Engineering (June 2006)
Minor in Literature
GPA: 4.5/5.0

experience

Rocky Mountain Investigative News Network *Researched and wrote in-depth stories; produced multi-media packages including web graphics and interactive maps; conducted data and public records analyses*
Denver, CO / Jan. 2010 - present
Reporting Intern

5280 Magazine *Pitched, researched, and wrote stories for regional magazine; fact-checked articles*
Denver, CO / Aug. 2009 - Jan. 2010
Editorial Intern

Digital Media Test Kitchen *Collaboratively designed smartphone app for delivering investigative news; researched potential of mobile-only technology (GPS/geo-location, augmented reality)*
Boulder, CO / Jan. 2010 - May 2010
Research Assistant

Environmental Protection Agency *Summarized EPA-funded research in articles for public audiences; created presentations and internal publications showcasing air quality/atmospheric chemistry research*
National Center for Environmental Research
Washington, DC / June 2009 - Aug. 2009
Science Journalism Intern

Center for Environmental Journalism *Assistant to Ted Scripps Fellowship program; coordinated speakers for weekly seminars; maintained CEJ website and alumni databases; helped set-up CEJ blog*
Boulder, CO / Aug. 2008 - June 2010
Graduate Research Assistant

IzzitGreen *Developed content strategy for IzzitGreen; researched, wrote and edited feature articles, website copy, promotional copy, and multi-media; managed team of writers*
Newton, MA / Nov. 2007 - July 2008
Content Manager + Analyst

Kwangju Foreign School *Taught Biology, Physics, Pre-Calculus, Model United Nations, Modern World History, Health/PE; coached cross-country, basketball; Advisor/Editor for yearbook + art-lit magazine; coordinated school-wide science fair*
Gwangju, South Korea / Aug. 2006 - Aug. 2007
High School Teacher

WMBR Community Radio *Broadcast weekly radio shows; Technology Broadcasting Corporation board member, 2005-2006; coordinated show for new station members to gain radio experience*
Cambridge, MA / Sept. 2002 - Aug. 2008
DJ, Producer, Broadcast Engineer

NASA Glenn Research Center *Implemented method to test dust mitigation technology for space missions; collaboratively created educational video about Mars exploration*
Cleveland, OH / June 2005 - Aug. 2005
NASA Academy Research Associate

Massachusetts Institute of Technology *Man Vehicle Lab, January 2005 - May 2005; Geochronology and TIMS Lab, June 2004 - August 2004*
Cambridge, MA
Undergraduate Research Assistant

skills

Adobe Creative Suite / Photoshop, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, Flash, InDesign
Mapping + GIS / ArcMap, ArcGIS, Matlab
Audio + video editing / Final Cut, iMovie, Audacity, Soundslides
Web design + programming / Java, HTML, CSS, Drupal, Wordpress
Knowledge of Russian, Japanese, and Korean

honors/
awards

2007 INEPO (International Environmental Project Olympiad, Istanbul, Turkey) Jury Member
2006-2007 Princeton in Asia Fellow
2006 MIT Boit Writing Prize; Essay, 1st Place
2003-2006 Eight-time Academic All-Conference Team, New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference
2005 NASA Academy/Oregon Space Grant Selection
2002 National Merit Scholar; Oregon Scholar

interests/
activities

Running / marathons, trail races, long-distance relays
MIT Varsity Athletics / basketball (co-captain), cross-country, outdoor track
Hapkido / Korean martial art (red belt)
Volunteer ski instructor / YES program (Boston, MA)
Home beer brewer