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Recent college graduate with extensive experience in journalism and publishing, looking to build an editorial career. Seasoned editor and writer who is confident in a wide range of editorial environments.

Select published writings

- “Fluffy love: 24 alpacas keep 40 years of love running strong,” *The Daily Orange*, 2024. <https://dailyorange.com/2024/02/syracuse-alpacas-seven-acres/>
- “The return of Art on the Porches brings ‘joy into everyone’s lives,’” *The Daily Orange*, 2023. <https://dailyorange.com/2023/09/syracuse-art-on-the-porches/>
- “Harvey’s Garden Oktoberfest brings German music, lederhosen, beer to Syracuse,” *The Daily Orange*, 2023. <https://dailyorange.com/2023/09/harveys-garden-oktoberfest-syracuse/>

Education

February 2021 - May 2024

Syracuse University — Syracuse, New York

- B.A. in Writing and Rhetoric
- Writing distinction student
- 3.68 cumulative GPA; 4.0 major GPA
- Dean’s list five semesters

Experience

Mend — Syracuse, New York

Editor January 2024 - May 2024

- Supported systems-impacted people’s creative writing processes
- Assisted in the production of the 2024, 2025 *Mend* issues
- Wrote articles and blog posts
- Chose and edit submissions with the editorial staff

Syracuse University Press — Syracuse, New York

Marketing Intern January 2024 - May 2024

- Assisted authors in developing promotional materials
- Researched journals, podcasts, and media outlets for book promotion
- Developed marketing strategies for conferences
- Created a backlog of posts for SU Press’s upcoming blog
- Crafted social media posts for book launches and promotions
- Proofread copy for catalogs and other promotional material

Editorial and Production Intern

August 2023 - December 2022

- Reformatted and restructured manuscripts
- Connected the author(s) with the copy editor for their manuscript
- Alerted the copy editor about manuscript concerns
- Prepared manuscript for the compositor
- Proofread final versions of manuscripts and seasonal catalog
- Checked eBook versions of published texts for usability

The Daily Orange — Syracuse, New York

Senior staff writer May 2023 - May 2024

- Wrote long-form, long-term culture and lifestyle pieces
- Collaborated with editors to create final digital and print product
- Mentored new editors and writers
- Substituted in various editing positions as needed

Managing editor

December 2022 - May 2023

- Read, edited, and fact checked all final copy
- Oversaw head editors in terms of editing and managing writers
- Approve and develop story ideas and editorial choices
- Facilitate weekly alumni critiques of the paper
- Provide a monthly editorial update to the board of directors
- Approve all print design
- Facilitate corrections and clarifications on stories
- Advise the editor-in-chief on hiring and oversee personnel
- Organize and plan alumni-student networking events
- Acted as liaison with the board of directors

Culture editor

May 2022 - December 2022

- Managed and mentored culture writers and editors
- Planned roughly 3-5 stories for digital and 4-7 stories for print, including visuals
- Edited for structure, style, and fact
- Posted stories to The Daily Orange website
- Wrote stories, including unclaimed stories, write-ups, explainers, concert and event trackers, coverages, and features

Assistant Copy Editor, Culture

December 2021 - May 2022

- Fact checked claims in culture stories
- Ensured stories in the culture section adhere to AP style
- Checked for consistency in proper names, nouns, etc.
- Wrote roughly 1-2 feature stories per week

Staff writer, Culture

August 2021 - December 2023

- Wrote stories weekly
- Collaborated with the editors in culture to fine-tune the articles
- Interviewed a minimum of three sources for stories
- Applied AP style to stories

The Altoona Mirror — Altoona, Pennsylvania

Summer Intern June 2021 - August 2021

- Wrote reliably in the lifestyle section and in Blair Living Magazine
- Interviewed a minimum of three sources for each piece
- Collaborated with editors to improve the articles
- Worked with editors to organize visuals

Technical Skills

- Associated Press Style (AP Style)
- Chicago Manual of Style (CMS)
- InDesign
- WordPress