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Education

Stony Brook University

Major: Journalism | Minor: Hispanic Language and Literature

Stony Brook, NY

Class of Jan. 2024

Experience

Producer - News12 The Bronx & Brooklyn

7/24-current

- Stacks all story elements into a 30-minute live show rundown system, curating order at which news is consumed.
- Analyzes crime sheets and press releases, writing them into scripts for anchors to read on air.
- Line produces live shows; counting in anchors, reporters and meteorologists to ensure broadcasts run as planned.

Reporter/Producer – Stony Brook Media Group

1/21-12/23

- Pitched and produced stories to editorial staff covering news, sports, and entertainment.
- Researched, wrote, fact-checked, and copy-edited to maintain high standard of journalistic integrity.
- Multiple roles included floor director, technical director, producer, graphics creator, teleprompter.

Freelance Reporter — Halston Media LLC

5/23-8/23

- Reported on local beats across six towns in Westchester County, New York including politics, features, arts, and environment.
- Attended Lewisboro Town Board meetings and reported on local policy, memorandums, and public opinion.

Social Media Intern – The Charles B. Wang Center

1/23-7/23

- Designed and posted social media content promoting cultural events.
- Set up and break-down of tables and decor for various guest speakers and community events.
- Archived and organized museum artifacts on a digital database.

News Director – WUSB Radio

8/22-5/23

- Assigned beats to fellow reporters, edited scripts to be read on a live weekly news broadcast.
- Scheduled and conducted live, in-studio interviews and reported on various topics.
- Controlled the switch board in preparation to transition smoothly between each report.

Music Editor – The Stony Brook Press

2/21-5/23

- Contributed original reporting and made grammar edits on staff submissions for the music section of both online and print editions.
- Co-host of “Press Play” podcast, student music and pop culture forum.

News Intern – WSHU Public Radio

8/22-12/22

- Conducted and recorded interviews, and reports on news spanning from Long Island to Connecticut often with a quick, single-day turnaround.
- Wrote radio readers and cut & copies to air during the station’s morning and afternoon broadcasts.
- Wrote web copy to be posted on the WSHU Public Radio website.

Field Reporter – RISE2 Potrillo (NASA), New Mexico

04/21/22-04/25/22

- Selected to travel to New Mexico and shadow professional geologists conducting tests at a volcanic field site.
- Produced published content regarding scientific simulations that will be applied to future space travel.

Academic Engagement

Secretary – Stony Brook Society of Professional Journalists

8/22-5/23

- Booked working journalists for weekly speaker series, designed weekly newsletter informing students of opportunities on campus and beyond.

Executive Board Member – WUSB 90.1FM Stony Brook

9/21-5/23

- Collaborated with board members to improve listener experience and increase engagement.
- Event Coordinator – planned various music events and festivals for students.
- Social Media Manager – created content for the station’s Instagram page.
- Co-Founder – The Bash, an annual music festival on Stony Brook’s campus featuring up-and-coming artists and bands.
- Host of a bi-weekly radio show, playing music in a pop-culture forum.

Distinctions: Paul A. Schreiber Memorial Scholarship (2022) | Catherine M. Ayscue Memorial Scholarship (2023)

Skills:

Fluent in English; Conversational Spanish;

Adobe Premiere; Adobe Audition; Google Suite; Ross Inception; Ross Xpression; ENPS; Tagboard; Canva; WordPress; Microsoft; Social Media (Facebook, Meta Suite, Twitter, TikTok, Instagram, YouTube, Snapchat); Team Management; Reporting; Editing; Script-Writing; Fact-Checking; Photography; Videography