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HONORS AND AWARDS

GELLER INTERNATIONAL FELLOW (2023)

- ♦ Named as one of 40 students nationwide to the elite Geller International Fellowship Program
- ♦ Traveled to Israel and the United Arab Emirates on a fully funded trip fellowship, making history as one of the first student delegations from Israel to the UAE
- ♦ Elevated to senior status in 2023

AL NEUHARTH SCHOLAR OF JOURNALISM (2019)

- ♦ Selected as Indiana's representative to the prestigious journalism conference, held at the Newseum Institute in Washington DC annually

FRANK MEEK MEMORIAL AWARD (2020)

- ♦ Awarded to a Park Tudor School student who displays the highest degree of loyalty to the Park Tudor School community
- ♦ Selected by a faculty committee for the school's most prestigious award

EAGLE SCOUT (2020)

- ♦ Completed a service project, collecting over \$12,500 worth of new and gently used soccer equipment for underserved students in Uganda
- ♦ Attained the highest achievement and rank in the Boy Scouts of America program

VOLUNTEER WORK

PUBLIC SERVICE

2022-PRESENT, Bloomington Parking Commission

COMPETITIVE ROBOTICS

2015-PRESENT, Tournament Director and General Volunteer
2020-PRESENT, Mentor

TUTORING

2019-PRESENT, Computer Science and Writing Tutor

EDUCATION

INDIANA UNIVERSITY – BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

GRADUATION: MAY 2024

STUDYING POLITICAL SCIENCE, ECONOMICS, AND JOURNALISM

(EXPECTED)

MINORS IN URBAN PLANNING/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES

- ♦ Accepted to the Ernie Pyle Scholars program, a prestigious communications honors cohort
- ♦ Studying in the Hutton Honors College, pursuing the Honors Notation

PARK TUDOR SCHOOL – INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

MAY 2020

- ♦ Pursued an academic track of high-level courses (5 AP Classes, 9 AP Tests by graduation)
- ♦ Completed nearly all course options in history, economics, politics, and communications

WORK AND INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

PUBLIC AFFAIRS/COMMUNICATIONS INTERN, NISKANEN CENTER

MAY 2022-
DECEMBER 2022

- ♦ Assisted research in key policy areas: housing, criminal justice, and immigration reform
- ♦ Wrote social media copy to highlight the Niskanen Center's work, focusing on current legislative patterns in Congress and the White House
- ♦ Drafted and edited press releases and other forms of written internal/external communication
- ♦ Copy edited blog posts to prepare them for publishing on organization's website

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT/COMMUNICATIONS INTERN, CHRYSALIS GLOBAL

MAY 2022-
JUNE 2023

- ♦ Composed written material released to external organizations, such as media outlets, business partners, and customers
- ♦ Drafted business proposals for major airport operations, readiness, and transition projects
- ♦ Wrote a comprehensive review of the company's marketing materials, updating documents to reflect the organization's brand strategy

TEACHING ASSISTANT/ECONOMICS INSTRUCTOR, INDIANA UNIVERSITY

MAY 2022-
JUNE 2023

- ♦ Taught weekly economics lessons to first-year students as part of an introductory microeconomics course at Indiana University

INDIANA DAILY STUDENT — INDIANA UNIVERSITY'S STUDENT NEWSPAPER

2020-2022

MANAGING EDITOR (SPRING 2022), DESK EDITOR (NEWS DESK: FALL 2021)

- ♦ Managed staff of 15+ editors and 75+ reporters across ten desks
- ♦ Mediated concerns between reporters, desk editors, and managing staff
- ♦ Coordinated the creation of an internal sourcing database to increase campus engagement
- ♦ Authored dozens of articles about city government and its relation to the university
- ♦ Covered Bloomington's government bodies including the Mayor's office and City Council
- ♦ Sourced stories with community, faith, campus, political, and government leaders

PUBLIC AFFAIRS INTERN, GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SUMMER 2021

WORKED REMOTELY WITH THE WASHINGTON DC OFFICE

- ♦ Developed new guidance documents and crafted a new format for GAO's Instagram account, overseeing a transition that increased engagement and expanded the agency's brand
- ♦ Drafted and copy-edited dozens of social media posts for a mid-size federal agency
- ♦ Published multiple public-facing blog posts about GAO's work for the U.S. Congress
- ♦ Restructured and revamped a standards of practice document used by GAO mission teams

GENERAL ASSIGNMENT REPORTING INTERN, WFYI NEWS RADIO

SUMMER 2019

- ♦ Wrote and voiced dozens of news segments for Indiana's largest NPR affiliate
- ♦ Covered ten Presidential candidates, two city mayors, a mayoral candidate, city council, two members of Congress, a Congressional candidate, a county prosecutor, and local businesses
- ♦ Selected as the only high school reporting intern on a professional staff of reporters