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EDUCATION

HONORS AND AWARDS

AMERICAN ENTERPRISE INSTITUTE HONORS PROGRAM

- ♦ Attended a selective constitutional law seminar, taught by Professor John Yoo, a former Department of Justice official
- ♦ Hosted events on IU's campus, bringing AEI scholars to nonpartisan debating events

INDIANA REPRESENTATIVE, AL NEUHARTH FREE SPIRIT AND JOURNALISM CONFERENCE (2019)

- ♦ Selected as Indiana's sole 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

COMPETITIVE ROBOTICS

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

TUTORING

2019-PRESENT, Computer Science and Writing Tutor

SKILLS

PROFICIENT: Adobe InDesign, Adobe PremierePro, Adobe Audition, Adobe Photoshop, spreadsheet applications, and multiple coding languages.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY – BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

GRADUATION: MAY 2024

STUDYING JOURNALISM, POLITICAL SCIENCE, AND ECONOMICS
CERTIFICATE IN BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

(EXPECTED)

- ♦ 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

MEDIA RELATIONS, MARKETING, COMMUNICATIONS, & JOURNALISM

COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC AFFAIRS INTERN, NISKANEN CENTER

MAY 2022-
PRESENT

- ♦ Created a database to track media mentions and scholar contributions to major news outlets
- ♦ Wrote social media copy to highlight Niskanen'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-
PRESENT

- ♦ 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

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

CONTRIBUTOR, NBC'S "MEET THE COLLEGE PRESS" ROUND TABLE

JULY 2020

- ♦ Served on a panel with other student journalists, moderated by NBC Political Director and "Meet the Press" anchor Chuck Todd (Youtube video received more than 75K views)
- ♦ Posed political questions to Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto regarding police reform and the city's COVID-19 response, analyzing his talking points in a segment following the interview

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