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Education

Hillsdale College, Hillsdale, Mich., BA English (2009)

Dow Journalism Program, Merit Scholar

Journalism Experience

- **Staff reporter intern**, *Gaston Gazette*, Gastonia, N.C. (30,000 circulation) June-Aug. 2009
 - Covered police and courts in a city with a high violent crime rate. Covered numerous homicides and robberies; regularly mined story ideas from police reports and warrant affidavits.
 - Covered spot news, including car crashes and house fires
 - Wrote features and profiles
 - Shot photos
- **News editor**, *Hillsdale Collegian*, Hillsdale College weekly newspaper Aug. 2008-May 2009
 - Wrote articles
 - Managed all news content; assigned and edited an average of 22 stories per week
 - Held weekly brainstorming meetings with a handpicked team of top reporters, in addition to weekly newsroom-wide meetings
 - Met regularly with younger reporters to edit their stories line-by-line and discuss story ideas.
- **Staff reporter intern**, *Hillsdale Daily News* (6,000 circulation) May-Aug. 2008
 - Covered numerous local government and school board beats, agriculture beat, state politics, spot news, and features
 - Wrote more than 100 stories; shot more than 50 photos; pitched dozens of story ideas
- **Freelancer writer**, *Jackson Citizen Patriot*, Jackson, Mich. (31,000 circulation) May 2007-Sept. 2009
 - Covered school board meetings and wrote features and spot news
- **Reporter, copy editor, music columnist**, *Hillsdale Collegian* 2006-2008
 - Wrote news, features, swim team beat, weekly pop music column, record reviews
 - More than 80 bylines

Work Experience

- **Commercial Flooring Services**, Lansing, Mich. May-Aug. 2007
 - Installed carpet, cleaned carpet and tile
- **A&W Restaurant**, Lansing, Mich. 2002-2005
 - Cook
- **Lansing State Journal**, Lansing, Mich. 2001-2005
 - Newspaper delivery

Extracurricular Activities

- **Assistant editor**, *Tower Light*, Hillsdale College's student literary publication Aug. -Nov. 2008
 - Reviewed poetry and short-story submissions for fall 2008 edition
 - Assisted with content revisions
- President of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia music fraternity, Nu Upsilon Chapter (Dec. 2006-Dec. 2007); Chapter Warden (Fall 2006)
- Played guitar in jazz combo and jazz big band at Hillsdale College (2005-2009)

Awards Received

- Hillsdale College Dow Journalism Program Member, half-tuition scholarship
- Hillsdale College Merit Scholarship, half-tuition
- Hillsdale College Music Scholarship
- Michigan Merit Award