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## Education

**Middlebury College**, Middlebury, VT

**Bachelor of Arts:** English Literature & Creative Writing

February 2020

- GPA: 3.92, graduated Summa Cum Laude with Phi Beta Kappa
- Language skills: conversationally fluent in Spanish

**Universidad de Córdoba**, Córdoba, Spain

Spring 2018

- Cultural and linguistic immersion program with coursework in Spanish history, art history and grammar

## Awards

- New England Newspaper & Press Association Student Scholarship Award, 2019
  - 3rd Place nationally in the Feature Story category, National Scholastic Press Association, 2015
  - Brown University Book Award for Excellence in Oral and Written Communication, 2015
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## EXPERIENCE

**Austin American-Statesman**, Austin, TX

**Summer Metro Intern** (June 2020-August 2020)

- Report remotely for the metro desk on a variety of topics including protests in Austin over police brutality and the coronavirus pandemic, pitch stories to editors and work to cultivate relationships with sources.

**VT Digger**, Montpelier, VT

**Reporting Intern** (September 2019-May 2020)

- Wrote daily and investigative stories about topics including city council, coronavirus, the environment, business and education. Pitched stories weekly and took photos and videos while on assignment.
- Wrote live updates for the COVID-19 informational page and assisted our data reporter with her coverage.

**Rutland Herald**, Rutland, VT

**Reporting Intern** (May 2019-August 2019)

- Pitched and wrote daily and enterprise stories on topics including education, business, local events and social justice movements. Wrote several profile pieces and a feature about the local LGBTQ community.
- Covered criminal justice, local government and the state legislature.

**The Middlebury Campus**, Middlebury, VT

**Senior News Editor** (May 2019-January 2020)

**Editor at Large** (September 2018-May 2019)

**Senior Features Editor** (January 2017-September 2018)

- Wrote about administrative policy, free speech controversies and incidents of bias on campus.
- Covered the 2018 midterms, promoted content on social media, used SEO to increase web traffic.
- Edited various sections, laid out pages on InDesign and worked with reporters to help enhance coverage.

**Addison Independent**, Middlebury, VT

**Reporting Intern** (January 2019)

- Covered local events and wrote a three-part series about state demographic shifts in Vermont.
- Reported on the state government, pitched stories, flipped edits and took photos on assignment.

**San Francisco Public Press**, San Francisco, CA

**Editorial Intern** (May 2017-August 2017)

- Pitched, wrote and edited a feature about homeless youth using a solutions journalism framework.
- Analyzed data from Point-in-Time counts and built graphics with Adobe Illustrator.