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OBJECTIVE

I am looking for a position in an innovative newsroom that is focused on creativity, accuracy and social impact. I want to apply my reporting, editing and multimedia experience to a job where I can make a significant contribution through storytelling.

EXPERIENCE

- Content Managing Editor - Rocky Mountain Student Media - Fort Collins, Colorado** 2014-2015
- Managed the content for the daily paper, nightly television show and weekly magazine and our transition to a digital first structure
 - Responsible for the content and conduct of twelve print editors, ten video producers and their staff members
 - Supervised the training of over 100 print and video reporters and photographers
- International Reporting - ieiMedia - Jerusalem, Israel** Summer 2014
- Studied international reporting with foreign correspondents
 - Received in-the-field training from local journalists and photographers
 - Reported in the field during the war and was on the ground during numerous rocket attacks
- News Editor - The Rocky Mountain Collegian - Fort Collins, Colorado** 2012-2014
- Co-managed a staff of 20 reporters in the production of 19 news articles a week
 - Led weekly staff meetings, led an investigative team and contributed to nightly Editorial Board meetings
 - Organized coverage of all breaking news
- Editorial Intern - The National Catholic Reporter - Kansas City, Missouri** Summer 2013
- Received an Honorable Mention in the Best General News Photo Category from the Catholic Press Association
 - Reported on a variety of high-profile events
 - Pitched stories and attended weekly staff meetings
- Senior Reporter - The Rocky Mountain Collegian - Fort Collins, Colorado** 2012-2013
- Was promoted from Staff Reporter to Senior Reporter within four months
 - Responsible for writing 2-4 articles a week
 - Covered all breaking news, cultivated a beat, worked on long-term investigative stories

VOLUNTEERING

- President - Society for Professional Journalists at CSU - Fort Collins, Colorado** 2013-2014
- Organized events and guest speakers
 - Led monthly meetings with the Vice President and Treasurer
 - Implemented a mentorship program for students in the journalism department
- Creative Director - Knitting4Peace - Denver, Colorado** 2005-2012
- Assisted the founder and executive director with logo and website design
 - Created original knitting patterns and promotional materials for the organization
 - Taught knitting classes to over thirty people in a period of seven weeks over the summer
- Youth Representative - Abrahamic Initiative - Denver, Colorado** 2004-2009
- Served on the Steering Committee for five years
 - Helped organize events and worked as staff at lectures, services and 150-person dinners
 - Founded an interfaith youth group for high schoolers

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Arts - Colorado State University - Fort Collins, Colorado** 2010-2015
- Journalism and Media Communication with a minor in English

SKILLS

Reporting
Editing

Multimedia
Adobe Suite

Social Media
HTML/CSS

Mediation
Conflict Resolution Counselor