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## OBJECTIVE

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To obtain a position that allows me to further my interests in journalism, democracy, podcasting, and narrative storytelling.

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## SKILLS

Reporting and experience across print and multimedia. Marketing and audience development in the education and nonprofit sectors.

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## EXPERIENCE

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### PRODUCER, [NEWS GUEST/LION PUBLISHERS](#)

June 2022-present

Responsible for all aspects of producing the podcast's second season: finding and pre-interviewing guests, preparing notes for host, engineering recording sessions, editing, and mixing final episodes.

### HOST/PRODUCER, [WHEN THE PEOPLE DECIDE](#)

July 2021-present

Reported, wrote, and hosted a narrative podcast series about how grassroots ballot initiative campaigns have shaped American democracy. Promoted the show through op-eds and podcast appearances.

### COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST/PENN STATE MCCOURTNEY INSTITUTE FOR DEMOCRACY

November 2017-present

Increased the McCourtney Institute's footprint on campus and beyond through digital marketing, media placement for faculty, and production of the weekly [Democracy Works podcast](#).

### INSTRUCTOR/PENN STATE DONALD P. BELLISARIO COLLEGE OF COMMUNICATIONS

August 2014-present

Taught courses on newswriting and podcasting. Developed and taught seminars on the creator economy and freelancing.

### FREELANCE WRITER

June 2008-present

Regular contributor to Current, the trade publication for public media. Work has also appeared in Belt Magazine, the Society of Professional Journalists Quill Magazine, Inside Higher Ed, and The Statesider.

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## EDUCATION

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### B.A. JOURNALISM/2008

The Pennsylvania State University; GPA: 3.85

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