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Experience

Morning Anchor, KMSP, Minneapolis, MN

Morning Anchor

October 2015 - Present

September 20012- September 2015

Morning Anchor/Reporter, KCPO, Seattle, WA

- Anchored 4:30am to 5am morning newscast
- Reported live in the field, the newsroom or studio for the second half of morning broadcast.
- Primary fill-in Anchor for the 6am-10am portion of morning newscast.
- Engaged viewers with personality at the desk and in the field.
- Delivered active live shots to advance the news of the day.

Morning & Noon Anchor, KGAN, Cedar Rapids, IA

April 2010 – September 2012

- Anchored 3-hour morning show, half hour noon show
- Cultivated and produced daily segments and interviews
- Social media specialist
- General assignment and special projects reporting

Anchor/Reporter, KGAN, Cedar Rapids, IA

September 2009 – April 2010

- Weekend anchor and primary fill-in anchor
- Lead story nightside reporter
- Enterprised, reported and produced promotable stories
- Wrote web articles multiple times each day
- Responsible for station Twitter and Facebook accounts on weekends
- Produced newscasts, as needed

Reporter/Producer/Fill-in Anchor, WRBL, Columbus, GA

August 2007 – September 2009

- Dayside lead story reporter
- Fill-in anchor
- Responsible for turning multiple, enterprise stories each day with liveshots, now via Skype as well.

On Air Reporter Intern, KIMT, Mason City, IA

May 2006 – February 2007

Only intern permitted to report on air and do live shots.

■ Helped assignment desk making beat calls, setting up interviews and researching stories.

Newsroom Intern, Northwest Community Television, Brooklyn Park, MN

Fall 2006

- Helped reporters and producers with story development and research.
- Wrote copy for newscasts and logged interviews.

Today Show Intern, KARE, Minneapolis, MN

January 2006 – May 2006

- Wrote teases for morning newscast.
- Responsible for coordinating and prepping on air guests.

News Desk Intern, WCCO, Minneapolis, MN

September 2005 – January 2006

- Responsible for researching stories, setting up interviews for reporters and assisting reporters in the field.
- Logged interviews and assisted assignment desk with story assignment and beat calls.

Education

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

Double Major - Bachelor of Arts, Broadcast Journalism and Spanish

Skills

- Capable of linear and non-linear editing.
- Confident using Final Cut Pro and shooting with DVC Pro cameras.
- Posting video, text and images to the website

Professional Organizations

Member of Society of Professional Journalists