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Experience

Marshalltown Times Republican – Marshalltown, IA, *Education Reporter*, Dec. 2014 - present

Full-time staff writer at seven-day daily in central Iowa. Responsible for producing news and feature stories on deadline, with emphasis on education and county government. Create accompanying photography, video and data visualizations. Develop sources in and monitor activities of local and surrounding school districts, community college and state Legislature. Stay abreast of trends in education and develop stories illustrating local impacts. Perform public records requests. Use social media to engage readers. Self-edit work and adhere to AP style.

Le Mars Daily Sentinel – Le Mars, IA, *News Reporter*, Oct. 2013 - Dec. 2014

Wrote news and feature stories, covering city government, arts, health, recreation and crime beats. Produced accompanying video (<http://bit.ly/BennetVideo>) and photography. Generated innovative story angles. Cultivated working relationships with sources statewide. Developed social media program and doubled online following. Monitored web analytics for evaluation of reader engagement. Edited pagination. Trained colleagues in use of social media, equipment and software as needed.

Isthmus – Madison, WI, *News Intern*, May - Sept. 2013

Generated longform articles at Madison's alternative weekly, covering city news and arts and entertainment. Produced data-driven features for digital edition using interactive tables and maps. Contributed original photography.

The Badger Herald – Madison, WI

City News Reporter, Feb. - May 2013

Produced news features for city beat for largest independent student newspaper in the country, with daily circulation of 17,000.

ArtsEtc. Staff Reporter, Sept. 2011 - May 2013

Produced arts and culture previews, reviews and features. Created video documentaries for online edition.

Technology Skills

Videography

Final Cut Pro, iMovie

Photography

DSLR, Adobe Photoshop

Data Visualizations

MS Excel, Tableau

Mobile

Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram, YouTube

Awards & Honors

Iowa Newspaper Association

Best Coverage of Education, 2016, First Place

Best Slideshow, 2015, Second Place

Best Coverage of Government and Politics, 2015, Second Place

Education Writers Association

New to the Beat Scholarship, 2015

Milwaukee Press Club

Best Investigative Story or Series, 2013, Second Place

Iowa State Fair

Photography accepted for display, 2015

Clay County Fair

Iowa Farm Life Photo, 2015, Best in Class

Black and White Photo, 2015, Honorable Mention

University of Wisconsin

Vilas Scholarship, 2009

Washington University

College Honors in Arts and Sciences, 2007

Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, 2007

Affiliations & Service

Education Writers Association, 2015 - present

Minnesota Newspaper Association Better Newspaper Contest Judge, 2014

Education

University of Wisconsin - Madison, WI, *Masters of Arts – History of Science, Medicine, and Technology*,
Aug. 2009 - May 2012

Washington University - St. Louis, MO, *Bachelor of Arts – Psychology, Gender Studies*, Aug. 2003 - May 2007

New York University – Prague, Czech Republic, *Semester Abroad – Art History*, June - July 2004