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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2008 – Present** **The Morning Call** **Allentown, Pa.**
2010 – Present *City Hall & Education Reporter – City of Easton/Easton Area School District*
2008 – 2010 *Suburban & Education Reporter – More than a dozen communities and school districts*
- Craft daily stories for online continuous news and print edition – using traditional reporting, engaging writing and social media source cultivation – with a focus on city and suburban life, politics, budgeting, education, education finance, suburban development and urban redevelopment.
 - Enterprise in-depth, front-page investigative, watchdog and feature stories for the weekend edition, individually and as a collaborative team leader, with a focus on human interest and the environment.
 - Capitalize on public records and computer assisted reporting to uncover and analyze long-term data and trends, integrate print and online presentations and make complex topics accessible and meaningful.
 - Employ mobile technology, social media and blogging to cover breaking news in real time, and to enrich and interact with online audiences to encourage dialogue, participation and ownership.
- Summer 2008** **The Boston Globe** **Boston, Mass.**
Internship: News Reporter
- Crafted stories daily on deadline for print/online, and enterprise for the weekend, with a focus on breaking news, politics, crime, environment and features.
- Summer 2007** **The Virginian-Pilot** **Norfolk, Va.**
Internship: News Reporter
- Crafted stories daily on deadline for print/online, and enterprise for the weekend, with a focus on local and state issues, including military, environment and transportation.
- Summer 2006** **The Morning Call** **Allentown, Pa.**
Internship: News Reporter
- Summer 2005** **Concord Monitor** **Concord, N.H.**
Internship: News Reporter

EDUCATION

- 2004 – 2008** **Ithaca College** **Ithaca, N.Y.**
B.A. Journalism, summa cum laude
B.A. Politics, summa cum laude

AWARDS & APPEARANCES

- Guest, CNN, “Feds probe Obama target game,” 2010
Guest, WDEL 1150AM Wilmington, Del., “Feds probe Obama target game,” 2010
Second place, Society of Professional Journalists, Keystone Pro, Environment, “Business as usual,” 2010
Featured, National Center for Business Journalism, Arizona State University, “What lies beneath,” 2010
Featured, Investigative Reporters & Editors, “Business as usual,” “What lies beneath,” “Dirty little secret,” 2009, 2010
First place, New York Associated Press Broadcasters Association, Best Radio Interview, “Coddington Road Widening,” 2008
First place, Society of Professional Journalists Mark of Excellence, Radio News Reporting, “SPCA Under Fire,” 2008
First place, New York Press Association, News Story, “Who’s looking?” 2007
Second place, Society of Professional Journalists Mark of Excellence, In-depth Reporting, “Screenings on Standby,” 2007
Certificate of Merit, Columbia Scholastic Press Association, News Writing, 2007
Fellow, National Press Foundation, Washington Fellowship, 2007
Second place, Associated Collegiate Press, Story of the Year, “Net Fix,” 2005
Scholar, Roy H. Park School of Communications, full-tuition Park Scholarship, Ithaca College, 2004-2008