## Education

The George Washington University (Washington, D.C., 2003-2007)

- Senior majoring in political communication, minoring in journalism.
- Graduating May 2007
- Phi Beta Kappa, member of University Honors Program, 3.74 GPA

#### **Extracurricular Activities**

- GW Hatchet GWU's independent student newspaper
  - Senior News Editor: managed a team of 30+ reporters and three editors while overseeing all news operations at the paper (May 2005 – May 2006)
  - Metro Editor: edited, wrote, and assigned stories about D.C. zoning, government, court decisions, and crime as they affected GW (May 2004-2005)
  - Staff writer (Oct. 2003 May 2004; May 2006 present)
- As a sophomore, I was named 1 of 3 national finalists for the 2004 SPJ "Mark of Excellence" in feature writing. As a junior, I won a first place regional award for breaking news reporting.
- Paper named nation's best non-daily paper by SPJ in 2003; finalist in 2004
- Wrote 150 articles for school newspaper

## Work History

- Intern, USA Today (McLean, Va., January 2007 Present)
  - Write and report on health and behavior, assist other reporters with research
- Intern, washingtonpost.com (Arlington, Va., Sept. 2006 Dec. 2006)
  - Helped build online voters' guide, edited audio for use online, coordinated between multimedia producers and print reporters, designed slideshows and maintained parts of the metro section online
  - Created special report about the state of D.C.'s Congressional Cemetery
- Intern, USA Today (McLean, Va., May 2006 Present)
  - Conducted public document research for investigation of fatal fires on college campuses. Obtained fire/police records, court documents, dispatch data, and interviews with victims' families
- Intern/Stringer, United Press International (D.C., June 2005 Oct. 2005)
  - Wrote about 25 articles about technology and health, mostly based on own story ideas, frequently visiting Capitol Hill
- Intern, U.S. Congressman Martin Frost (D.C., Jan. 2004 May 2004)
  - Responded to constituents' phone calls and mail; researched legislation and submitted memos to staff
- Volunteer, CNN's "Crossfire" (D.C., Sept. 2003 May 2004)
  - Helped with ushering, ticketing, etc. and shadowed staff to learn about television production positions

## References

- Bob Davis, USA Today -- (703) 854-5915
- Michael Barnett, McAllen Monitor (Texas) -- (202) 251-2703
- Anita Sama, USA Today (703)-854-3780

# Skills

- Quark, Adobe Audition, Audacity
- Computer assisted reporting with Excel and Access