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Recent Writing: https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2020/10/29/how-foreign-influence-efforts-are-targeting-journalists/

RECENT EXPERIENCE

INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY OF DIPLOMACY

Washington, DC

Apr. 2020 – Present

Case Studies and Publications Editor

- Commission and edit case studies for ISD's online library.
- Co-authored and published two new negotiation simulation games for case studies library.
- Lead ISD's social media, media outreach, and digital marketing efforts.
- Write materials and newsletters for working groups, as well as website and social media content.
- Managing editor of ISD's blog, The Diplomatic Pouch, as well as producer the Diplomatic Immunity podcast.
- Conduct research on diverse topics, including Iran's nuclear program, information warfare, and city diplomacy.
- Monitor news and prepare briefs for director and State Department senior fellows.
- Previously worked as Research Assistant from May 2019 to January 2020.

UNITED NATIONS, Information Center

Washington, DC

Government Affairs Intern

Jan. 2020 – Apr. 2020

- Reported on hearings and events on Capitol Hill for Secretary General's weekly news briefing.
- Wrote press releases, social media content and website posts to support strategic communications.
- Wrote talking points for deputy director's speech to 230 delegates at National League of Cities Conference.
- Provided updates on criticism of UN's role in Syria to inform UN Department of Global Communications' response.

THE TRANSATLANTICIST BLOG

Washington, DC

Editor in Chief

Nov. 2019 – May 2020

• Commissioned and edited articles for Georgetown's European Horizons chapter blog.

THE EUROPE DESK PODCAST, BMW Center for German and European Studies Founder and Producer

Washington, DC

Nov. 2018 - May 2020

- Led team of 8 students to plan, produce and advertise podcast on transatlantic and European affairs.
- Pitched, developed, and marketed podcast to reach 1000 monthly downloads, with listeners in 63 countries.
- Built partnerships with the German Marshall Fund, European Parliament, and EU Delegation to the United States.

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, School of Foreign Service

Washington, DC

Research Assistant to the Director of the M.A. in German and European Studies Program Aug. 2018 – May 2020

- Supported Professor Anna von der Goltz with research into conservative movements in 1960s Germany.
- Edited draft chapters and translated primary source materials for forthcoming Oxford University Press title.
- Edited essay "1968: The end of nationalism?" for new Cambridge University Press volume.

EDUCATION

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, School of Foreign Service

Washington, DC

Master of Arts in European Studies | Certificate in Diplomatic Studies | GPA: 3.98

May 2020

School of Foreign Service Language Oral Proficiency Exam: German - Excellent | Reading Exam: French

- 2020 Jill A. Hopper Award for Academic Excellence; 2020 Ken Okoth Award for Service
- 2019-20 Bunker Graduate Fellow in Diplomacy | Institute for the Study of Diplomacy
- 2019 National Academy of Public Administration Herbert Roback Scholarship Finalist

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, Worcester College

Oxford, UK

Bachelor of Arts in History and Modern Languages (German) | First Class Honours

July 2016

Third year abroad working for the British Council in Vienna, Austria