# Professional Summary

I look to be a part of a newsroom whose mission is to tell the most impactful stories – beyond the normal headlines – in the most balanced and impartial way possible.

# Education

## Columbia College Chicago – Broadcast Journalism May 2017

Scholarships: Irv Kupcinet, Grace Hookham Endowment, Elizabeth Ferguson Trust, QFI Arabic Study, John Fischetti, iHeart Media and NATAS-Chicago.

## University of Chicago – StarTalk Program June 2010-July-2010

Participated in a two-month long, intensive Arabic language and Middle Eastern Studies course.

# Work History

## WNDU-TV (NBC) – Morning Co-Anchor/Reporter May 2017 – Current

## Promoted from dayside reporter to morning co-anchor at WNDU-TV in South Bend, Indiana.

## ABC 7 Chicago – Windy City Live Intern February 2017 – May 2017

## Pitched story ideas and potential guests for the Award-Winning show Windy City Live. Also, completed other daily intern tasks.

## CBS 2 Chicago – News Intern June 2016 – September 2016

## Suggested copy for breaking, developing and follow-up stories. Helped log tape for reporters and field produced under instruction of photographer.

## Comcast SportsNet – Creative Services Intern June 2015 – September 2015

Wrote in-game drops, day/daters and developed ideas for commercial and social media spots. Also developed monthly social media reports.

## Yahala Voice Radio – Host November 2013 – September 2014

Wrote content for radio programming. Also helped with marketing via several social media platforms. I also hosted two radio shows during my time there.

# Honors and Awards

**Iowa Caucuses –** Reporter **2020**

Chosen to cover the 2020 Iowa Caucuses, following former South Bend Mayor Pete Buttigieg.

**Emmy Award Nominated –** Sports and General News **2015, 2016, 2017, 2018**

Four-time student Emmy award-nominated in 2015, 2016 and 2017 for packages done while attending Columbia College Chicago. 16 Morning News received its first ever nomination, during my first year on the team, for team coverage of ND Women’s Basketball team championship win.

**NABJ Chicago Chapter Scholarship** – Winner  **2017**

Received this honor following my story on a Chicago teen with Spinal Muscular Atrophy. He’s lived 16 years past life expectancy at the time of the story.

**Aurora’s Phenomenal Man of the Year Recipient –** Boys II Men Brotherhood **2017**

Recognized by the mayor of Aurora, Illinois for breaking down barriers and shattering stereotypes in the city of Chicago.

**Scholarship Winner-Midwest Emmy Chapter –** Tom Skilling Scholarship **2016**

Received a $5,000 academic merit scholarship, named in honor of Chicago meteorologist Tom Skilling.

**NABJ 2016 Salute to Excellence Award for general TV News** - Finalist  **2016**

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# Skills

* Journalism: Exceptional writer in AP and broadcast; Skilled interviewer and concise in proofreading/copyediting; adept at social media for journalism purposes
* Shooting and Edting: JVC Pro and most industry grade digital cameras; Final Cut Pro X, iMovie, Edius