

**EDUCATION****Columbia University Graduate School of Journalism**, New York, NYM.A. Arts & Culture Reporting (*expected May 2009*)M.S. Digital Media concentration (*May 2008*)**NYU Wagner Emerging Leaders in Public Service**, New York, NY (*2005-06*)

Fellowship for young professionals in the public interest sector.

**Swarthmore College**, Swarthmore, PAB.A. Political Science; minors in Public Policy and English Literature (*May 2003*)**WORK EXPERIENCE****Contributing Writer**, *MentalFloss.com* (*2008 to present*)

- Pitch, report and write culture and politics stories for web publication with 4,000,000 monthly visitors.

**Research Assistant**, *Independent Radio Producer Judith Kampfner* (*November 2008*)

- Conducted research and background interviews for BBC documentary program about President Lincoln.

**Citizens Union Foundation** (a nonpartisan, government watchdog organization), New York, NY (*2003-07*)**Contributing Writer** (*2004-07*)

- Wrote articles on city and state government reform, election laws and local arts issues for foundation's news and policy web publication *GothamGazette.com*.
- Covered City Council meetings, legislation hearings and controversies.
- Contributed news posts and photos to the *Wonkster* and the *Eye on Albany* blogs.

**Policy Associate & Assistant to Executive Director** (*2006-07*)

- Developed and evaluated positions on policy issues for nonpartisan, government watchdog group.
- Interviewed political candidates, elected officials, academics and policy experts for topics ranging from special elections to redistricting reform.
- Analyzed financial and election data; created illustrative presentations and graphics.
- Wrote and edited reports, presentations, testimony, annual voting guide, fundraising proposals, newsletters and other documents.
- Led research and writing for report about special elections to fill legislative vacancies.
- Coordinated advocacy and outreach efforts on behalf of organization and executive director.
- Communicated organizational positions and logistical information to members, board of directors, media, policy experts and public.
- Assisted with office tasks, executive director schedule, intern supervision, forums and fundraisers.

**Operations & Policy Associate** (*2005-06*)**Office Coordinator** (*2003-05*)**Education and News Intern**, *Cultural Survival*, Cambridge, MA (*Summer 2002*)**Community Affairs Intern**, *Public Advocate's Office*, New York, NY (*Summer 2000*)**Legal Intern**, *Bronx Housing Court*, New York, NY (*Summer 1999*)**SKILLS & INTERESTS****Multimedia Storytelling Projects:** Recording equipment, audio editing (ProTools & Audacity); database programs (Microsoft Excel & Access); web design (Dream Weaver & Microsoft Front Page); blogging software (Word Press); photography and graphics (SLR camera, Sound Slides & Photoshop); and video (Final Cut Pro).**Music & Radio:** Visiting music and variety deejay on EastVillageRadio.com (2005 to present); Deejay and Programming Director at Swarthmore College's WSRN-FM (1999-2003); undergraduate public policy thesis *Policies and Trends Affecting Native American Community Radio* (2003); NPR Next Generation environmental journalism workshop participant (August 2002); and College Music Journal Music Marathon conference attendee (2000, 2003, 2004 & 2005).