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SUMMARY

Dynamic editorial leader with eight years of experience copy editing content on a wide range of subjects. Accustomed to working as part of a team in a fast-paced environment with complex subject matter. Looking to leverage project management skills and AP Style knowledge in a senior editing role.

COPY EDITING EXPERIENCE

Copy Chief February 2020 – present
Copy Editor October 2017 – February 2020
Becker's Healthcare Chicago, Illinois

- Improved publication's credibility by implementing strict fact-checking protocols, updating house style guide regularly, and ensuring consistent adherence to house style and AP Style
- Grew copy desk by five copy editors since I was hired as the first copy editor in 2017
- Optimized editing workflow for everyday news as well as large projects
- Increased communication between writers and editors, as well as other departments, to achieve consistency and efficiency during cross-team projects
- Implemented regular meetings with writers to discuss journalism best practices and improve content

Copy Editor August 2016 – October 2017
Alternative Press Cleveland, Ohio

- Copy edited and proofread print magazine, web articles and promotional materials
- Rewrote and line-edited copy to maintain a consistent voice
- Made decisions on house style and updated house style guide as needed

Copy Editor March 2013 – May 2015
The Akron Beacon Journal/Ohio.com Akron, Ohio

- Wrote creative, engaging headlines and photo captions for articles using Adobe InCopy
- Edited 15-20 newspaper and web articles nightly for style, clarity, accuracy and any other errors
- Proofread pages and graphics for factual errors and inconsistencies

Copy Chief/Writer January 2013 – January 2014
The Buchtelite Akron, Ohio

- Edited all articles for twice-weekly student paper using AP Style; approved other copy editors' changes
 - Collaborated with editors to improve articles and create a well-structured, visually appealing page
 - Wrote and edited articles on events of campus interest for News, Arts & Life and Opinion sections
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EDUCATION

The University of Akron, Honors College Akron, Ohio
Bachelor of Arts in English May 2015
Cumulative GPA: 4.00/4.00 Dean's List: 2011 – 2015

COMPUTER AND OTHER SKILLS

- Mac and Windows operating systems
- Microsoft Office Word, Publisher, Excel, PowerPoint and Outlook
- Adobe InCopy (familiar with Adobe InDesign)
- Thorough knowledge of AP Style