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EXPERIENCE

September 2023 — Current

CommonWealth Beacon — Boston, Massachusetts

Reporter

Research, report, and write stories on policy, politics, and civic life for a digital non-profit newsroom. Break news and write enterprise/feature stories on Cannabis, Climate, Psychedelics, State Government, Healthcare, Arts, and more.

Lead coverage of the Massachusetts's cannabis industry, reporting on everything from missteps by state regulators to cannabis industry business trends. Broke news on a federal hemp loophole, leading to state regulatory changes.

Reporting Featured On: WBUR's *The Common*, *The Horse Race*, *New England Public Media*

June 2017 — Current

GreatChina International Education — Remote

Academic Tutor

Provided one-on-one college prep tutoring to high school students and edited over 200 college application essays.

August 2020 — May 2022

Amazon Web Services — Boston, Massachusetts

Software Engineer

Implemented new features and improved operation on a product called Fast Snapshot Restore.

September 2017 — May 2018

Business Today — Princeton University

Staff Content Writer

Interviewed and published stories on tech executives and entrepreneurs. Wrote stories for the print magazine and the online journal.

January 2016 — May 2018

The Daily Princetonian — Princeton University

Senior Opinion Columnist

Wrote bi-weekly opinion columns for website and print edition of *The Daily Princetonian*.

June 2016 — August 2016

Forbes India — Mumbai, India

Editorial Intern

Wrote business trend stories, profiles and features on corporate executives, entrepreneurs and Indian celebrities for the website. Published a feature in Forbes India magazine about regional language publishing trends in India.

EDUCATION

Princeton University Princeton, NJ

May 2020

BA with Honors in *English Literature*

Certificates: *Computer Science* and *Gender and Sexuality Studies*

Thesis: *The Vampire's Bite: Desire for Penetration and Reproduction in Bram Stoker's Dracula and Other Vampire Stories*

University College London London, UK

Study Abroad in Fall 2018 — *English Literature*

AWARDS

2024 New England Newspaper & Press Association (NENPA)

Awards for:

~ Racial, Ethnic or Gender Issue Coverage (1st Place)

~ Arts & Entertainment Reporting (3rd Place)

REFERENCES

Bruce Mohl – brucemohl11@gmail.com – (617) 756 9415

Jennifer Smith – jsmith.pcbos@gmail.com – (435) 655 1041

SKILLS

Full Stack Web Development (HTML/CSS/Javascript/etc.) •
Software Development and Coding (Java/Python/C/AWS) •
Squarespace • WordPress • Google Analytics • Google SEO •
Google Flourish • Mailchimp • BlueLena • Parse.ly • Datawrapper

FELLOWSHIPS and COMMUNITIES

Asian American Journalists Association, Google CodeU

Fellowship, Rewriting the Code Fellowship, Built By Girls Coding Community, Kappa Kappa Gamma

INTERESTS

Traveling • Scuba Diving • Hiking • Rock Climbing • Reading •
Fiction Writing • Cooking • Thrifting

VOLUNTEERING

June 2019 — August 2019

Princeton University Keller Center — Princeton, New Jersey
Consulting Intern

Applied design thinking methodology to research emergency preparedness for natural disasters and their impact on vulnerable populations in Princeton and Trenton.