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Objective: Traineeship in Multimedia & Online Journalism

Summary of Qualifications

- Five years experience in photography and photo editing (Adobe)
- Experience in journalistic work and various content management systems
- Academic and professional experience with social media and multimedia
- Creative, versatile, flexible with leadership skills
- Excellent research and writing skills
- German native speaker, near native English, intermediate French, basic Spanish

Education

Magister Artium (MA):

in American Studies, Political Science, Film Studies; November 2011

Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, Mainz

Thesis: Research on the influence of online practices and culture on investigative journalism methods in established media:

"After the Death of Journalism in the US: Reinventing Reporting on the Web"

Final Grade: 1,4 (equals GPA of 3.6)

Fulbright Visiting Graduate Student, GPA: 3.95, Fall 2008 to June 2009

University of Washington

Related Coursework: "Digital Journalism", "How Twitter Is Changing Organizations"

Studies in British Studies, American Studies, German Studies, Political Science, and Communications at *Johannes Gutenberg-Universität, Mainz* and *University of Washington, Seattle*, April 2006 to November 2011

Journalism Experience

Freelance Web Journalist, since March 2011

"Report im Netz" Web presence of investigative political TV show *Report Mainz* at *Südwestrundfunk*

Since March 2010 assistant in the online department of *Südwestrundfunk*

- Editing of video, text and images for show websites (Photoshop, VideoReDo)
- Data analysis and research assistance for Report pieces
- Reworking of archival material related to current newsworthy events
- Adaptation and integration of a flash application for voting shows

Freelance Photographer, portrait, travel and events, since August 2008

Newspaper Intern, November 2009 to February 2010,

(since: **freelancer**)

Rhein-Zeitung Koblenz and Mainz

- Planned, developed and implemented a social media strategy
- Composed pieces on topics of the web, culture and higher education

Editor in Chief, October 2009 to October 2010 (and July 2007 to July 2008)
HOWL, Magazine of the student body of English, *University of Mainz*

- Planned issues, wrote and edited articles
- Coordinated and supervised biweekly staff meetings and layout (QuarkXPress)

Social Media Director (and Production Intern), June 2009 to October 2009
Filmateria Studios, Seattle, USA

- Planned and implemented a Social Media PR strategy
- Assisted the producer, edited Photo and Video material (Adobe)

Other Related Experience

Research Assistant, since November 2011 (also October 2007 to August 2008)
Professor Oliver Scheiding, *Amerikanistik*, *University of Mainz*

- Researched and prepared materials for academic writing and conferences

Project Initiator and Founding Member, since February 2011
Campus Mainz e.V. (non-profit)

- Planning and building an online platform for communication and information of students and employees at the University of Mainz
- Founding member and secretary to the organization

Elected Board Member focus on internal communication, June 2010 to June 2011

Zentraler Fachschaftenrat Universität Mainz (student council, campus level)

- Editorship and Layout of an internal news magazine and campus wiki
- Directed and coordinated political work across student councils
- Represented department student councils on university level

Initiator and Event-Manager, Juni 2010

Philosophicums-Mania, Soccer World Cup viewing event, roughly 800 guests

- Planned and managed the event
- Coordinated a team of 6 collaborators

Facilitator, Oktober 2008 bis Oktober 2009

Foundation of International Understanding Through Students (FIUTS), Seattle

- Planned and led trips and events for international students

Elected **Student Representative**,

University of Mainz, Germany, September 2006 to November 2011

Language Skills

- Near-native speaker of English: TOEFL iBT, score 118 (of 120), August 2007
- Native Speaker of German, intermediate knowledge of French, basic Spanish
- Basic html

Awards

- Fulbright Travel Grant, 2008 – 2009