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SUMMARY



My name is Jake Mittleman and I am a junior double major in journalism and political science with experience in reporting, research and newsroom work. Journalism has been my number one priority for some time now. In high school, I helped launch my school's first student newspaper, The Quaker, and in college I joined my university's student paper where I continued developing as a reporter. Before my junior year, I interned at WBRZ and the LSU Communications Department. I also interned at DC Witness, where I covered court cases and assisted with data collection and reporting workflows. During my most recent semester, I worked on Capitol Hill covering the Colorado delegation for the Durango Herald, focusing on political reporting. During the summer of 2026, I interned at the Providence Eye, a nonprofit newsroom in my hometown, where I supported coverage of city council and mayoral elections and helped organize candidate forum events. I am eager to continue building my career in journalism and contribute meaningful reporting on politics and public affairs.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

WBRZ

Summer Intern

During the summer of 2025, I interned at WBRZ Channel 2 in Baton Rouge, where I worked closely with reporters and producers in a newsroom. I gained hands-on experience in the day-to-day operations of a local news station, assisting with story research, writing and video editing for on-air segments.

Providence Eye

Summer Intern

During the summer of 2026, I interned at the Providence Eye, a non-profit newsroom in my hometown of Providence, Rhode Island. In this role, I assisted with the Eye's city council and mayoral election coverage, helping run numerous candidate forums across the city while also contributing to reporting on the upcoming election. This had me in the streets of Providence figuring out and exploring the issues residents cared most about.

The Eagle

Staff Writer

As a sophomore, I joined American University's award-winning student-run paper, the Eagle. At the Eagle, I have worked on numerous types of stories, from campus life to covering local protests to working on investigations. Furthermore, I have gained valuable experience working with a team and undergoing an editing process. Going forward, I plan to continue writing for the Eagle and growing my overall journalistic skills.

Durango Herald

Congressional Correspondent Intern

During the spring semester of my junior year, I worked as a congressional correspondent for the Durango Herald. This role had me on Capitol Hill multiple times a week, covering the Colorado delegation, focusing on issues that affected southwest Colorado. Additionally, I was responsible for pitching my own stories, finding sources and writing articles weekly.

EDUCATION

The Moses Brown School

High School Diploma
2023

The American University

Political Science and Journalism (BA)
2023-2027

SKILLS

- Microsoft Suite, Google Sheets
- Basic video editing skills
- AP Style
- Breaking news/investigative writing and reporting
- Experience covering politics; national and local
- Experienced interviewer; sit down and MOS (man-on-the-street)
- Basic photo and video journalism skills, including shooting b-roll (Personal camera: Canon EOS R100, RF-S18-45mm)
- Strong organizational and time-management skills
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills