BRYNN SHAFFER

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Summary:

With a passion for storytelling and all things hard news, I'm hoping to land a job as a local news reporter. I graduated from LMU this past December as a journalism and international relations double major.

Skills:

AP style	Copy Editing	Web Design
Leadership	Technical Writing	Photography
Journalism	Organization	Canva

Work Experience:

Independent Journalist

August 2021-present

- My byline has appeared in publications like the San Diego Union Tribune, NCR and the LION
- I freelanced audio to NPR that aired on NPR News Now, featuring my interview with Blue Origin space tourist Glen de Vries, just two days before he tragically passed away in a plane crash (2021)

Supercluster, Remote: Space Journalist Intern

June 2022-August 2022

- Had my own blog, "Space Update," in which I produced breaking news/update stories
- Discussed private/public launches, NASA regulation updates, and entertainment-related pieces
- Pitched, interviewed, wrote, edited and revised stories from start to finish
- Interviewed former NASA astronaut Mike Massimino on his journey to space

Santa Monica Daily Press, Los Angeles: News Intern

June 2022-August 2022

- Developed eight articles (1x week) on the local happenings of Santa Monica (life/arts, features)
- Learned the reins of what it means to work for a hyper-local newspaper
- Assisted in podcast editing, photography, on-site interviews and research

Mars City Design, Los Angeles: Junior Media Director

January 2022-August 2022

- Worked alongside CEO in providing the company with a fresh, youth perspective
- Assisted in tasks such as copy editing, research and development, and media outreach

The Loyolan, Los Angeles: Copy Editor, Senior Editor

January 2020-May 2022

- Edit for grammar and spelling errors, content, flow, fact-checking, AP style, provided mentorship
- Developed news stories and feature pieces over the span of multiple independent projects

Activities and Achievements:

Society of Professional Journalists, LMU: Vice President

May 2021-May 2022

- Founding member, recruited students, coordinated with nationals, helped to create bylaws
- Organized speaker events, attended weekly e-board meetings, submitted content for awards

Education:

Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, CA

Honor Roll, Dean's List Graduation Date: December 2022 Major 1: Journalism, BA Major 2: International Relations, BA