

Desere' Cross

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Experience

Social Media - Media Relations Coordinator at University of Texas at Austin from Sept. 2016 - Present

- Produce daily content for the university's official social media platforms
- Collaborate with university colleges, schools, and units to pitch stories to local and national media outlets

Freelance PR from Aug. 2014 - Present

- Develop digital presence and drive product messaging using strategic marketing campaigns that create media placement and brand awareness
- · Assist with event planning and product promotion campaigns
- · Design websites and promotional materials, such as logos and flyers

Social Media Community Leader at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill from Dec. 2014 – Aug. 2016

- Collaborated with offices and departments across campus to produce daily content and promote university events, stories and accomplishments
- Designed more than 20 graphics for the university's social media accounts and UNC prize giveaways
- Created and executed 12 integrated, online marketing & engagement campaigns for the university's social media channels
- Developed the UNC social media website and blog and expanded the university's social media portfolio to include new platforms such as Snapchat and Periscope

Volunteer Social Media Director at I Am A Queen, a nonprofit based in Greensboro, NC, from Aug. 2014 – Present

- Assisted with media relations efforts, including writing and editing press releases, pitches and PSAs
- Developed and implemented strategic social media campaigns that resulted in a collective increase of 20% in annual event turnout

Account Executive at Black Network Television (BNT), a start-up based in Greensboro, NC, from June – Dec. 2014

- Developed strategies to increase and retain clientele
- Managed 20 advertising accounts through CRM program, Insightly
- Coordinated a successful press conference for BNT and monitored press coverage in local digital and print media

Education

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

B.A., Journalism and Mass Communication (Public Relations Sequence)

B.A., Communication Studies (Interpersonal Communication Sequence)

Graduation Date: May 11, 2014

Skills

- Customer Relationship Management (Insightly)
- Account Management (Quickbooks)
- Microsoft Office and Mac operating systems
- Proficient computer graphic skills in I-Movie, Final Cut Pro and Adobe Suite
- LinkedIn, Blogger, WordPress, Flickr, AP Style, YouTube, Google applications
- · HTML, CSS

References

Available upon request