Erin Patanella

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EDUCATION

State University of New York at Brockport, Brockport NY Bachelor of Science with Honors Major in Multimedia Journalism, minor in Sociology

Anticipated May 2025 Honors College Student

EXPERIENCE

News Editor Aug. 2024 – Present

The Stylus, SUNY Brockport – Brockport, NY

- Write, copy edit, and proofread stories, ensuring clarity, accuracy, and adherence to AP style
- Manage content for the digital platform, optimizing for readability and audience engagement
- Collaborate with team of writers to pitch stories and formulate publication deadlines

Editorial Intern

585 Magazine – Rochester, NY

Aug. 2024 – Dec 2024

- Wrote feature stories and contributed articles for both digital and print editions
- Managed social media accounts, creating content, selecting visuals, and prioritizing active engagement
- Supported editorial staff, including outreach, story pitches, and transcribing interviews

Teaching Assistant – Community Journalism

Jan. 2025 – Present

SUNY Brockport – Brockport, NY

- Supported professor with student feedback, assignment examples, and progress outreach
- Served as a mentor and provided guidance on writing and editing community-based articles
- Reinforced understanding of AP style journalism and encouraged students to expand their reach

Admissions Ambassador Coordinator

Aug. 2024 – Present

Office of Admissions, SUNY Brockport - Brockport, NY

- Oversee staff of 24 ambassadors, creating schedules, and managing team operations
- Plan and execute Open House and Accepted Student Day events
- Deliver weekly presentations to visiting off campus groups, prospective students, and families
- Assist in hiring and training new admissions ambassadors

Admissions Ambassador

Office of Admissions, SUNY Brockport - Brockport, NY

Aug. 2023 – Aug. 2024

- Led campus tours for prospective students and families, highlighting academic programs, student life, and campus resources
- Answered questions about services, student support, and the admissions process
- Welcomed students to the campus environment with enthusiasm for the university

Orientation Leader

July 2024 – December 2024

SUNY Brockport – Brockport, NY

- Led six two-day orientation sessions for first year students during the summer, and continued transfer orientation throughout the fall semester
- Facilitated group activities and discussions on campus resources, policies, and student engagement
- Provided individualized support to incoming students to ease their transition into college

RELEVANT SKILLS

- Writing & Editing (AP, Chicago, journalistic writing, proofreading)
- Digital Content Creation (social media & web content)
- Project Coordination (team collaboration, deadline management, content scheduling)
- Software Proficiency: Adobe Premiere & Photoshop, Microsoft Office Suite, WordPress, Canva)

RELEVANT COURSEWORK

 PR Principles and Practices, PR Campaigns, Community Journalism, Theories of Mass Communication, Mobile Journalism