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# REBECCA ANZEL

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## AFFILIATIONS

Illinois News Broadcasters  
Association

Investigative Reporters &  
Editors

Online News Association

## EXPERIENCE

STATEHOUSE REPORTER  
[CNI]  
Springfield, Ill.  
Jan 2019 - Sept. 2020

Pitched, reported and wrote daily articles as well as longer enterprise pieces on Illinois' three branches of government — including the General Assembly, governor, state agencies, constitutional officers and Supreme Court — for the over 440 newspapers Capitol News Illinois served. Worked with the other two reporters to create daily and long-term coverage plans and produce podcast episodes.

REPORTING INTERN  
[CDLB]  
Springfield, Ill.  
Jan 2018 - July 2018

Pitched, reported and wrote articles on Illinois state government, covering legislative efforts, committee hearings, courts and lawmakers for Chicago's legal community from the Chicago Daily Law Bulletin's statehouse bureau.

LEE LUTZ FELLOW  
[TBR Newspapers]  
Setauket, N.Y.  
July - Nov. 2016

Pitched, reported, wrote and photographed at least three stories per week on local government, community leaders and events. Promoted editorial content through social media. Assisted with print layout for each of the Times Beacon Record's six weekly community newspapers.

REPORTING INTERN  
[SHFWire]  
Washington, D.C.  
Sept. - Dec. 2015

Pitched, reported, wrote and photographed stories on national government, politics and economics; covered Pope Francis's parade in Washington; analyzed the debate over Planned Parenthood's access to public funds; and reported about NASA's Mars Program. The internship was part of the Scripps Howard Foundation Wire's Semester in Washington program.

## EDUCATION

University of Illinois Springfield, Springfield, Ill.

M.A., Public Affairs Reporting

May 2018

Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, N.Y.

B.A., Journalism

May 2016

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, *The Statesman*, May 2014 - May 2015

Managed 23 editors and a business manager, supervised publication of weekly campus paper targeting student body of 25,000.

REPORTER, Journalism Without Walls Study Abroad Program — Turkana, Kenya

Reported from Kenya in January 2013 with the help of translators.

## HONORS & AWARDS

Illinois Press Foundation Scholarship (December 2017) and Marc D. Allan Public Affairs Reporting Scholarship (January 2018)

Fair Media Council's Robert W. Greene Award for Investigative Journalism, print, April 2016 for "Title IX at Stony Brook"

## INDEPENDENT COURSEWORK

THROUGH THE KNIGHT CENTER FOR JOURNALISM IN THE AMERICAS:

"Investigative Journalism in the Digital Age," "Introduction to Mobile

Journalism," "Math for Journalists Made Easy: Numbers & Statistics"

CONFERENCES:

IRE's Watchdog Workshops: 2017 on Long Island, N.Y.;

2019 in Chicago, Ill.

INBA's Conventions: Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2019

## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

MULTIMEDIA: Final Cut Pro X, GarageBand

ONLINE: WordPress, Highcharts

AUDIO: Zoom and Sony audio recorders

DESIGN: Adobe Photoshop, Lightroom, Bridge, Illustrator, InDesign

PHOTO/VIDEO: Nikon and Canon DSLR, Sony cameras

SOCIAL MEDIA: Facebook, Twitter/Tweetdeck, Tumblr, Instagram, Vimeo, YouTube, Pinterest

MISCELLANEOUS: Microsoft Excel, conversational American Sign Language, AP Style