# Avery Ellfeldt

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#### **EDUCATION**

#### St. Olaf College Bachelor of Arts, 2019

- Majors: Spanish, Intercultural Communication
- Cumulative GPA: 3.81, Magna Cum Laude

#### SKILLS

- o Spanish language proficiency
- o AP style
- o Adobe InDesign, Adobe Illustrator, Adobe Photoshop, Final Cut Pro, Adobe Premiere
- o Photo, video with DSLR equipment

## **AWARDS**

#### College Media **Association | Pinnacle** Awards, 2019

o Third Place: Best Special Section, More Than Four Pages

#### Minnesota Newspaper Association | Better **Newspaper Contest:**

- o 1st Place, 2019: **Investigative Reporting**
- o 1st place, 2019: Government/Public Affairs Reporting
- o 1st Place, 2019: Social **Issues Story**
- o 1st Place, 2018: **Investigative Reporting**
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#### Bonde Award | St. Olaf **College Senior Capstone** | Center for Integrative **Studies**

• "For extraordinary intellectual work that created lasting impact on the campus or other communities."

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

#### JAN. 2020-**PRESENT**

#### Climate Reporter | POLITICO's E&E News | Denver, Colorado

- Pitch and report 3-5 daily and enterprise pieces each week focused on finance firms' and federal regulators' efforts to address the financial threats of climate change
- Establish and maintain new climate finance beat for E&E News
- Expand coverage to western U.S. to explore how state and local officials, as well as insurance and real estate markets, are responding to mounting climate risk
- Cultivate source relationships in Congress, state and federal agencies, companies and outside groups to break news and provide in-depth, timely analysis of recent developments
- Pitch, execute reporting trips to Puerto Rico, Oregon, Colorado and more to ground federal policy and trends in local communities
- Contribute reporting and writing to newsletters, publications and podcasts both inside and outside POLITICO

## **FALL 2019**

#### Digital Content Intern | National Public Radio | Washington, DC

- Pitched and reported enterprise stories for npr.org on climate change, renewable energy, business and immigration
- Adapted 1-3 assigned radio stories for npr.org weekly. Wrote web story text, produced digital builds with visuals, internal links, video
- · Collaborated with producers, editors and photographers

### SUMMER 2019



#### Dow Jones News Fellow | Energy & Environment News | Washington, DC

- Filed 48+ environment, energy stories for digital publication
- · Interviewed analysts, industry leaders and congressional staff to build subject matter expertise on energy, environment issues

# 2018-19



#### Editor-In-Chief | Manitou Messenger | St. Olaf College

- · Coordinated weekly production, editorial content, publication layout and 30 person newsroom for 21 issues
- Directed rebranding effort, expanded news section by 2 reporters and a full page to modernize the publication's print and digital presence and expand audience reach

#### JANUARY 2019



#### Storytelling Assistant | Kino Border Initiative | Sonora, Mexico

- Developed photo, video digital content with Final Cut Pro X
- Conducted and filmed interviews with migrants in Spanish to document testimonies for the website, social & educational efforts

# SUMMER



#### Editorial Intern | Bloomberg Government | Washington, DC

- Interviewed industry leaders, members of congress & congressional staffers for daily & enterprise coverage
- Reported and wrote 11 articles for www.bgov.com
- Pitched, designed shareable graphics on campaign finance, 2018 midterm elections using Adobe Illustrator

# 2018

## Production, Photography Intern | Wambra Radio | Quito, Ecuador

- Shot photo and video at protests, marches, communications workshops, panels and forums to be used for web and social media
- · Translated long-form articles, documents and presentations from Spanish to English and vice versa