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**PERSONAL STATEMENT**

I am a master’s student at the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication. I am a passionate advocate for marginalized communities, specifically the LGBTQ+ community. As a journalist, I use my work to give a voice to the voiceless and advocate for the betterment of our world and all those who live in it.

**EDUCATION**

Arizona State University, Phoenix, Arizona

***Master of Mass Communication***, Expected August 2025

Rider University, Lawrenceville, New Jersey

***Bachelor of Arts***, May 2024

**Major: journalism**

**HONORS**

Magna Cum Laude

Baccalaureate Honors Program

Rider Provost Scholarship, September 2020-May 2024

Dean's List

GPA: 3.5

**Journalism and Work Experience**

***Graduate Assistant,* National Center on Disability and Journalism, Arizona State University**

*August 2024-2025*

* Responsible for writing, designing and creating social media posts for Instagram, Facebook and X. Creating engaging posts for the NCDJ website and helping with NCDJ’s annual reporting contest, including filing submissions and helping with the ceremony

***Editor for The Rider News,* The Rider News, Rider University**

*October 2021-April 2024*

* Responsible for writing one article a week, assigning articles to staff writers and making creative layouts for assigned pages each week. Fill in as a photographer as needed for the sports section.

*1st Place in Layout and Design by the New Jersey Press Foundation, 2022*

**SKILLS**

* InDesign
* Photoshop
* PremierPro
* Wordpress