

KAYLA GUO

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EDUCATION

Brown University, B.A. Public Policy (Government, Law & Ethics) | Providence, RI, 2018-2022

JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

Washington Reporting Fellow, *The New York Times* | Washington, D.C., June 2023-May 2024

- Wrote 65+ stories and contributed to 45+ stories covering Congress as the sole D.C. fellow
- Covered some of the biggest breaking stories out of Washington, including:
 - Speaker Kevin McCarthy’s ouster, progressive anguish over the war in Gaza, the censures of Rashida Tlaib and Jamaal Bowman and the doomed Ukraine/border bill
- Published seven A1 bylines and contributed reporting to 12 A1 stories, including:
 - A feature I pitched on the exodus of lawmakers from a chaotic Congress
 - An enterprise story about how frontline Republicans were heading off blame for a government shutdown
- Led coverage of the Smith-Wyden tax bill and the 5-year F.A.A. reauthorization from committee through enactment
- Scooped the backstory of Rep. Al Green’s dramatic vote to defeat House Republicans’ first attempt to impeach DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, securing the first interview he gave from his hospital bed
- Profiled Senator James Lankford to illustrate the Ukraine/border bill’s rise and fall
- Won a NYT Publisher’s Award from A.G. Sulzberger as part of the Congress team for our coverage of McCarthy’s ouster and the three-week struggle to replace him. The quarterly internal award recognizes “some of the best and most impactful work of the previous months”

Transportation Policy Editorial Intern, *Politico* | Washington, D.C., January-May 2023

- Anchored Morning Transportation, a daily newsletter for lawmakers, lobbyists, labor and industry groups
- Covered transportation policy and politics from Capitol Hill, focusing on the FAA reauthorization bill, EVs, rail safety and implementation of the 2021 infrastructure law
- Reported on hearings, bill mark-ups, regulatory actions while developing sources on the Hill, K Street and across agencies
- Pitched and wrote three enterprise stories: on the gender gap in vehicle crash testing; on the obstacle freight railroads posed to the Biden administration’s \$66 billion plan to transform passenger rail; and on how Buy America requirements hampered ports’ ability to replace Chinese-made equipment

Digital Producer (part-time), *The Boston Globe* | Boston, MA, September-December 2022

- Curated bostonglobe.com home page based on news value and audience engagement
- Monitored and managed Globe social media accounts, push alerts, breaking news and top story newsletters

Metro Reporting Intern, *The Raleigh News & Observer* | Raleigh, NC, June-August 2022

- Wrote 23 local news stories, including a front-page feature package on the fracture of the United Methodist Church over LGBTQ issues that attracted ~40 new subscribers the Sunday it ran in print
- Carved out coverage in an unfamiliar region on religion, COVID, higher education and the Dobbs ruling

Editor-in-Chief & President, *The Brown Daily Herald, Inc.* | Providence, RI, December 2020-December 2021

- Edited news, columns and op-eds while running digital and print production four nights per week
- Managed 275+ staff and ran a financially-independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit with a \$150k annual budget
- Oversaw and edited investigations, expanded reporting on diverse groups, pushed staff to break news
- Covered student government, campus activism and breaking Covid news as a reporter and editor
- Scooped news of the off-campus leases Brown secured for students during the pandemic

Editorial Intern, *Patch* | Nassau County, NY, June-August 2020

- Covered 11 towns, reporting 154 stories, spot news and a three-part housing series
 - Filed FOIA requests and conducted research via LexisNexis and NYS Webcrim
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SKILLS

Mandarin, conversational