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EDUCATION

University of Miami

Master of Fine Arts in Motion Pictures

Coral Gables, FL

August 2023 - May 2026

- **GPA:** 3.963
- **Focus:** Screenwriting, Storytelling for Digital Media and Narrative Structure
- **Relevant Coursework:** Writing the Short Film, Cinematography, Directing the Actor, Foundation of Screenwriting, Narrative Production, Character & Dialogue, The Independent Producer, Introduction to Editing, Script to Screen, Motion Picture Marketing and Distribution, and Writing for Comedy TV

Union College

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics, Minor in English

Schenectady, NY

September 2019 - June 2023

- **GPA:** 3.203
- **Honors:** Presented Thesis on “The Art of Computer Graphics” at the Steinmetz Symposium
- **Relevant Coursework:** Writing About Film, Screenwriting Workshop, Film as Fictive Art, Fiction Workshop, and Interactive Fiction

EXPERIENCE

Zero Gravity Management

Scripted Content & Development Intern

Miami, FL

May 2024 - April 2025

- Crafted detailed script coverage and development notes for potential acquisitions and internal development
- Analyzed narrative structure, character arcs, and market fit to assist managers with content evaluation
- Conducted research on IP, comparable projects, and strategic partnerships

Right Cut Media

Editing Internship

Coconut Grove, FL

April 2024 - November 2024

- Editing branded video content and commercial spots (6s, 15s and 60s formats) using Adobe Premiere
- Repurposed long-form media into high-impact short form ads tailored for social and streaming platforms

UMTV

Sketch Comedy Writer

Coral Gables, FL

January 2024 - November 2024

- Wrote, pitched and revised original comedy sketches for broadcast on the University of Miami’s award-winning late night comedy show called *Off the Wire*
- Assisted in on-set production including cinematography, gaffing and directing
- Developed concepts from ideation to screen, honing skills in fast-paced writers’ room environment

KOSE VENTURE LLC
Author

Katonah, NY
April 2020 – August 2024

- Wrote and self-published *The Colson Legend: Ice Queen*, a YA sci-fi/fantasy novel and *Detective Catfish: The Missing Trout*, YA fantasy/mystery graphic novel which are both available on Amazon
- Created promotional content and coordinated digital marketing through email, social media, and press outreach
- Partnered with Rowland Publishing; distributed through Westchester County, Union College and Barnes and Noble

SKILLS

- **Copywriting & Storytelling:** Brand messaging, short-form content, sketch writing, character-driven scripts
- **Video Editing Tools:** DaVinci Resolve, Adobe Premiere Pro, Avid Media Composer
- **Content Strategy Tools:** Canva, Google Workspace
- **Digital & Social:** Writing for Tik Tok/ Instagram style formats, script editing for online engagement