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Journalism Experience

Freelance Journalist

2009-Present

- Education technology columnist and feature writer for the *Hechinger Report* and *Slate* (2015-Present).
- Author of *Mind Over Mind: The Surprising Power of Expectations* (Penguin 2012), a book about the placebo effect in its medical and non-medical contexts.
- Featured in *Wired*, the *New York Times*, the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Washington Post*, the *Boston Globe*, *Wired*, *Salon*, the *Daily Beast*, *New Scientist*, *Playboy*, *Politico*, WBUR, and *Boston Magazine*.

Senior Writer / Staff Writer *Bostonia* and *BU Today*

2007-2009 / 2005-2007

- Wrote magazine features on research and technology.
- Reported and produced text, audio, slideshow, and video features for daily news website.

Freelance Journalist

2001-2005

- Wrote regular news features for several sections of the *Boston Globe*, including Ideas, Health & Science, Business, Education, City Weekly, and the Sunday Magazine.

Research Editor *Mother Jones*

1999-2000

- Managed six fact-checkers and directed the internship and fellowship program.
- Wrote investigative pieces on a pharmaceutical company's search for a "shopaholic pill" and the Department of Energy's anti-whistleblower policies.

Staff Editor *Atlantic Monthly*

1997-1999

- Responsible for fact checking, article research, and manuscript evaluation.

Education

Stanford University MA Journalism

2001

- Awarded full-tuition fellowship and maintained a 3.9 GPA.

Harvard University BA History and Literature

1996

- Graduated *magna cum laude* with a focus on Germany and America.

