portfolio: cjostrosky.com

EDUCATION

Miami University

Oxford, OH

Aug 2013 - May 2017

A.B. International Studies B.A. Political Science

Minors: Arabic, Middle Eastern & Islamic Studies

Magna Cum Laude, Honors GPA: 3.89

SKILLS & STRENGTHS

- Graphic design, data visualization, some animation
- Creativity, problem-solving, and conflict resolution
- Digital strategy, email marketing, branding
- Data analysis, specifically to inform digital strategies
- ∥ HTML, CSS, PHP
- Research and self-teaching
- | Writing and communication
- | Media relations and training
- Languages: Arabic (Levantine), French

PLATFORMS & APPLICATIONS

- Adobe Suite (Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, Dreamweaver, Acrobat, Audition)
- **∥** WordPress
- | Luminate Online
- ∥ MicrosoftOffice Suite
- MailChimp, Quorum
- | Cision, Meltwater

EXPERIENCE

Project On Government Oversight (POGO)

Communications Associate | Washington, D.C. | June 2017 to present

- Design print layouts using Adobe InDesign and Acrobat for reports, newsletters, and events that highlight the organization's brand while prioritizing accessibility and aesthetics
- Liaise between the organization and news outlets, PR vendors, and event venues
- Analyze data & create statistics on success of emails to supporters & the press in order to inform and develop data-driven email, press, and web communications strategy
- Support web team through website rebranding, redesign, content audit and migration, and launch (August 2018)
- Code, optimize, and troubleshoot all email products using HTML and CSS, including designing the organization's first recurring e-course, redesigning e-newsletters, as well as all fundraising asks, and calls for grassroots activism
- Project-manage, design, and code new sub-branded email newsletter, Sidebar
- Write press releases, statements, and pitches for coverage ideas and op-eds to the press; act as point of contact between authors and outlets to find common ground
- Maintain and manage all press contacts and news monitoring for the organization using Cision, and train staff for broadcast appearances

Voice of America

Radio Production Intern | Washington, D.C. | January - April 2017

- Research potential guests and topics for current affairs English radio programming (PCUSA, Encounter, Issues in the News)
- Apply research to write scripts, questions, and promotional material
- | Edit audio recordings for broadcast using Dalet Radio Suite or Adobe Audition
- Develop social media strategy, branding, and content

American Center for Oriental Research (ACOR)

Web Design & Development Intern | Amman, Jordan | September - December 2016

- Organize, redesign, and restructure <u>acorjordan.org</u> after a shift from Joomla to WordPress Premium
- Create online store from scratch for ACOR's print materials, as well as donation portal for endowing restoration of the Petra Church using Stripe
- Maintain donor database and assist with annual mailing

Emiliano's Mexican Restaurant

Server | Pittsburgh, PA | May 2013 - August 2016 (seasonal)

- Work effectively and cheerfully in a fast-paced, stressful environment
- Take orders, make recommendations, deliver meals and drinks
- Train and support new staff on policies, menu, and best practices