

Christopher J. Fleisher

PROFILE

Successful town beat and economic development reporter; Daily experience; Background in education and nonprofit administration

REPORTING EXPERIENCE

September 2004-
Current

STAFF WRITER

Eagle Times Claremont, NH

- Reported hard news and feature stories on daily deadline
- Wrote two stories per day
- Covered variety of issues in southern Vermont and New Hampshire, including development, municipal, crime, education, arts and human interest stories
- Used public records regularly to find and develop stories
- Cultivated relationships with local and state government officials, community leaders and residents

OTHER EXPERIENCE

August 2001-
July 2003

OFFICE MANAGER

Teach For America New York, NY

- Managed administrative budget and performed routine cost analysis to keep expenses within fiscal year goals
- Performed qualitative and quantitative analysis of office systems to ensure efficient operation of office environment
- Interviewed and evaluated over 75 applicants to program
- Coordinated interviews, district processing and special events for 51 corps members

August 1999-
July 2001

TEACHER

Fonville Middle School Houston, TX

- Developed and implemented lesson plans to ensure skill development and efficient management of over 120 students
- Developed system of evaluation to determine educational progress
- Planned and organized special events to communicate student progress to parents and provide student reinforcement
- Organized and maintained portfolios for 120 students to track student progress
- Nominated for *Fonville Middle School Teacher of the Year* (2000-2001)
- Nominated for *ACP Intern of the Year* (1999-2000)

May 1998-
May 1999

EDITORIAL ASSISTANT

Center for American Places Harrisonburg, VA

- Scanned manuscripts for diacritical marks
- Wrote press releases and organized publicity for events
- Wrote précis for books being considered for reprinting
- Maintained correspondence with authors

EDUCATION

August 2003-
May 2004

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY,

GRADUATE SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM New York, NY

M.S. Journalism, Magazine Concentration, *Joseph Schlitz Scholarship* recipient

August 1995-
May 1999

JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY Harrisonburg, VA

B.A. English, Magna Cum Laude