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EDUCATION

BA Mass Communications

Missouri Southern State University | 3950 Newman Rd, Joplin, MO 64801

Anticipated: Dec 2026

EXPERIENCE

KSN 16 Production Assistant

Nexstar Media Group Inc | Irving, TX 75062

Sep 2022 - Present

- Moved, put in specific places, and focused the camera in a short amount of time.
- Created graphics that appealed the eye of the viewer and made them interested in the story the graphic was for.
- Controlled the prompter wheel, adjusting the speed of the words on the prompter so the anchor could read the words at their pace.
- Adjusted audio levels for music, sound effects, and the anchor's/host's mic for viewers to hear and grab their attention to the show or newscast.
- Edited videos or placed news packages into ENPS with Adobe Premiere Pro.
- Communicated with the Director or other team members if there was a problem with the show.
- Helped guests with directions and positions.

Production Assistant/Volunteer

KGCS 21 | 3950 E. Newman Road, Joplin, MO

Fall 2022 - Spring 2024

- Worked cameras for Newsmakers show, MSSU Football & Basketball online streams.
- Directed segments for Newsmakers, MSSU Football & Basketball online streams.

Team Member

TacoBell | Joplin, MO

Feb 2021 - Sep 2022

- Trained new employees by demonstrating tasks and coaching during daily activities.
- Provided excellent customer service by greeting customers and meeting quality expectations.
- Collaborated with team members to complete orders.

HONORS & AWARDS

MBEA Second Place for Video- Multicamera Live Sports Event

Missouri Broadcast Educators Association (MBEA)

2023

Franklin Technology Center Certificate of Completion of TV/Audio Productions

Franklin Technology Center (FTC)

2022

ACT Work Keys NCRC Silver

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2022