

# Neal Franklin

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## EXPERIENCE

- Tulsa World News Intern** • Local daily paper within Lee Enterprises May 2023–July 2023
- ❖ Wrote 3-4 news articles per week
  - ❖ Interviewed politicians and experts along with community members
  - ❖ Produced project on missing and murdered Indigenous people issue
- Street Sense Media Editorial Intern** • Local D.C. paper distributed by people experiencing homelessness Sept. 2022–Jan. 2023
- ❖ Wrote articles on issues affecting people experiencing homelessness for publication in a weekly newspaper
  - ❖ Wrote cover story titled “Affordable housing finds a stage at the national building museum”
- SOC3 Community Engagement Director** • Storytelling agency run by students Jan. 2023–May 2023
- ❖ Worked to promote SOC3 through promotional writing and outreach
  - ❖ Created content for organizations like the 11th Street Bridge Mobile Kiosk project
- Chimera Closing Server** • Local Tulsa restaurant with vegan options May 2022–Aug. 2022
- ❖ Served customers after a previous summer as a dishwasher
  - ❖ Learned additional skills making coffee and other drinks
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## ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIP

- AWOL Media Editor-in-Chief** • Student-run investigative magazine Sept. 2021–Current
- ❖ Managing staff of 80. Editing all stories using AP Style and publishing
- Staff Editor (Sept. 2022–Aug. 2023)*
- ❖ Creating a Style and Resource Guide and edited for structure
- Writer (Sept. 2021–Current)*
- ❖ Writing news articles relevant to student life, including two magazine cover stories
- American University Chorus Member.** Jan. 2022–Current
- ❖ Singing with others to perform concerts
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## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Gold Seal of Biliteracy in Spanish** • Top level of proficiency in the Spanish language in speaking, writing and understanding May 2021
- Robyn Rafferty Mathias Conference Presenter** • Presented research on Indigenous TikTok creators in Mexico with interviews conducted in Spanish April 2024
- AWOL MVP Award** • Assisted publishing and organizing of articles and staff May 2023
- Dean’s List** • Demonstrated academic excellence during several semesters Jan. 2024
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## EDUCATION

- American University** • School of Communication • University Honors Program Aug. 2021–May 2024
- Pursuing a major in *Foreign Language and Communication Media* GPA: 3.94
- with concentrations in *Spanish* and *Journalism* Washington D.C.
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## COMPUTER AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

Computer: Bloxx, Wordpress. Social Media (Instagram, X, YouTube, Facebook, LinkedIn). Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint). Google Drive.

Multimedia: Z-150 Video Camera. Adobe Suite (Premiere, Audition). Photo Scape X.

Language: English (Fluent). Spanish (Fluent).