MOLLY BOLAN

A creative communicator looking to help build resilient and equitable communities.

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SKILLS

Basic Spanish

Datawrapper
Adobe Creative Suite
Photography
Writing and editing, AP Style
Canva
Microsoft Office
Google Workspace
Conversational Russian

EDUCATION

B.S. in Photojournalism

B.S. in Information Management and Technology

Minor in Russian

Syracuse University

2015-2019

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Volunteer regularly with EcoAction Arlington, a local advocacy group that promotes sustainable living, climate action and environmental justice. Lead trash cleanups, provide outreach for tree planting program and contribute to food waste reduction campaign.

Work monthly alongside Arlington Regional Master Naturalists to remove invasive species from Theodore Roosevelt National Park.

Assist with trail maintenance in Shenandoah National Park.

COMMUNICATIONS EXPERIENCE

Assistant Editor

Route Fifty

2022-Present, Washington, D.C.

Route Fifty (Route-Fifty.com) is an online publication that shares stories about state, county and local government.

- Pitch, report and write two to three stories a week based on interviews with experts, advocates and decision makers.
- Manage all social media channels including Twitter, Instagram and Facebook. Create content with Adobe Creative Suite and schedule posts with Buffer.com.
- Publish and curate stories and newsletters using a content management system.
- Gather assets for stories, including images, charts and graphics.
- Collaborate with designers to create quarterly e-books comprised of archived articles.

General Assignment Reporter

The Keene Sentinel

2021-2022, Keene, New Hampshire

The Keene Sentinel is a daily newspaper covering southwest New Hampshire.

- Pitched, reported and wrote four to five communityoriented stories each week, often focusing on education.
 Juggled multiple stories in a fast-paced environment and pivoted to cover breaking news when necessary.
- Photographed stories as needed.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

English Teaching Assistant

The Fulbright Program

2019-2020, Novosibirsk, Russia

As a Fulbright Scholar, I worked with students at the Novosibirsk State Pedagogical University.

- Planned and taught about a dozen English classes each week with an emphasis on conversation practice.
- Maintained <u>a blog</u> to share stories of my daily life in Siberia with readers back home in the United States.
- Joined a local outing club and enjoyed hiking, backpacking and climbing with fellow outdoor enthusiasts.



