

# AARON NICHOLS AUPPERLEE

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## JOURNALISM SKILLS

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Four years experience at daily newspapers in **reporting, writing, editing, photography, video and design.**  
**Web content** production including blogs, slideshows, HTML, videos, social media, and **Moveable Type** tools.  
Adobe Photoshop, Adobe InDesign, iMovie, NewsEdit, MS Office, MAC and PC operating systems  
**Web-first** motivation with an eye for **multimedia** opportunities when **enterprising** and developing story ideas.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Staff writer, Jackson Citizen Patriot, Jackson, Michigan (February 2010 - Present)

Covered public safety beat at night, responsible for delivering breaking news and developing stories.  
Created web-only content including polls, comment-based posts and brief breaking news items.  
Expanded use of Facebook and Twitter, posted content, engaged readers, increased fans and followers.  
Worked on multimedia projects involving slideshows, video and interactive tools.

### Editorial Intern and correspondent, Kalamazoo Gazette, Kalamazoo, Mich. (February 2009 - January 2010)

Daily assignments for metro, business and feature sections.  
Developed enterprise and feature stories for A1 and local centerpieces.  
Completed investigative and research-intensive projects.  
Assisted with photography, video and multimedia packages.

### City Editor, The Desert Dispatch, Barstow, Calif. (September 2007 - November 2008)

Managed newsroom employees, edited stories, coordinated online content.  
Completed daily beat and feature assignments with photographs. Shot and edited videos.  
Designed pages A1, local and sport pages. Edited wire copy. Designed state, nation, world pages.

### Staff Writer and Photographer, The Desert Dispatch, Barstow, Calif. (October 2006 - November 2008)

Wrote stories and shot photographs across several beats including crime, the military and education.  
Adapted to new media, web publishing, video and blogging.

### News Editor and Staff Writer, Kalamazoo College Index, Kalamazoo, Mich. (Spring 2005 - Spring 2006)

### Advisor, Kalamazoo College Academic Resource Center, Kalamazoo, Mich. (Spring 2003 - Spring 2006)

### Global Sales and Marketing Intern, Market Research Department, Alticor, Ada, Mich. (Summer 2005)

### U.S. Department of Labor Intern, Washington, D.C. (Summer 2003)

## EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

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**Magna Cum Laude**, BA in Political Science with honors, 2006, Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, MI

**Palestinian leadership** senior thesis research project, Israel and Palestine (Winter 2005)

**Foreign study** at Friedrich-Alexander Universität, Erlangen, Germany (Fall 2004 - Spring 2005)

**German-U.S. military relations** research project, Erlangen, Germany (Fall 2004 - Spring 2005)

## HONORS

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Best of Freedom Award, coverage of Sgt. Paul Cortez, Freedom Communications, 2007

Public Service Award, honorable mention, coverage of Fort Irwin sexual assaults, CNPA, 2007

Awards in writing, blogging and videos from the SPJ Southern Calif. Chapter, 2007, 2006

The Eugene P. Stermer Award in International Politics, Kalamazoo College, 2006

The Elwood H & Elizabeth H. Schneider Prize in English, Kalamazoo College, 2006