Liz Navratil

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Journalism Experience

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Staff Writer, September 2011 to present

- Cover Pittsburgh and Allegheny County police departments since January 2013, after having served as the night crime and general assignment reporter since August 2011.
- One of 10 reporters in the country selected to travel to and report from Pakistan in 2015 through the International Center for Journalists.
- Selected as finalist for 2013 IRE Award in category of Investigations Triggered by Breaking News and received a letter of commendation from the judges of the 2013 Al Nakkula Award for Police Reporting, as well as state and regional awards.
- Broke news that Pittsburgh police responding to a disconnected 911 call left a woman's home after speaking through a glass window only to her boyfriend, who later confessed to killing her before fatally shooting himself in a stand-off. Coverage prompted changes in police training and policy.
- Worked on a team that exposed allegations that the Pittsburgh police chief and others in the bureau diverted money from the department into off-the-books accounts for personal use. That police chief is currently serving a federal prison term and another bureau employee is awaiting a trial at the state level. City officials changed the way they account for money that passes through the police bureau.
- Produced solo coverage of the Chardon High School shooting while serving as the night reporter.

The Denver Post, City Desk Intern, June 2011 to August 2011

- Wrote and pitched daily, enterprise story ideas for the web and print editions.
- Used social media to promote my work and to cover live news when appropriate.

The (Cleveland) Plain Dealer, Metro Intern, May 2010 to August 2010

- Reported about 50 breaking and full-length stories for the web and for print.
- Assisted in series revealing millions in contested county tax reductions that was a finalist in ASNE Distinguished Writing Award for Local Accountability Reporting.

Lancaster New Era (now Intelligencer Journal/Lancaster New Era), Editorial Intern, May 2008 to August 2008, December 2008

Education

University of Pittsburgh, graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor's degree in May 2011

- Double majored in English writing (journalism) and French and earned an African Studies certificate.
- Worked for the daily student newspaper, **The Pitt News**, serving as editor in chief (2010-11), news editor (2009-10), assistant news editor (2008-09) and crime beat reporter (2007-08).